

Consent form

DML – Direct (Microscopic) Laryngoscopy with/without throat surgery

Direct laryngoscopy is a procedure in which a large tube is inserted through the mouth to the vocal cords and enables visualisation (usually through a microscope) of the vocal cords and other organs in the throat. If necessary, a biopsy of a suspicious tumor may be taken, polyps and other affectations may be removed from the vocal cords, and substances may be injected to rehabilitate the voice etc.. The surgical procedures are mainly performed with micro-surgical devices and/or laser and other advanced instruments.

Patient's name: _____
Last name First name Father's name ID no.

I hereby declare and confirm having received a detailed oral explanation from Dr. _____
Last name First name

About the need for laryngoscopy due to _____

_____ (hereinafter: "the procedure")

I was informed that in some cases the objective of the procedure will not be achieved and a repeated procedure may have to be considered. Furthermore, in some cases, due to recurrence of the initial disease the procedure may have to be repeated.

I hereby declare and confirm I received an explanation of the side effects of the procedure, including: aches and discomfort, difficulty swallowing, temporary hoarseness, hemoptysis and temporary malfunction/modification of the sense of taste that may last several months.

Furthermore, I received an explanation of the possible risks and complications of the procedure, including: lengthy discomfort, damaged teeth, voice modification, difficulties swallowing, perforation of the pharynx, perforation of the esophagus, perforation of the trachea, perforation of the lung, bleeding. In rare cases these complications may end in death. Use of laser during the procedure may cause burns of the mouth, pharynx, lips or face.

I hereby provide my consent to performance of the procedure.

I hereby declare and confirm that I have received an explanation and am aware of the possibility that in the course of the procedure the need may arise to extend its scope, modify it or use other or additional procedures to save life or prevent physical damage, including additional surgical procedures that cannot be foreseen certainly or fully at this stage, but their significance has been explained to me. I therefore also consent to said extension, modification or other or additional procedures, including surgical actions institution physicians believe to be vital or required during the course of the procedure.

I am aware that a transfusion of blood or blood products, such as concentrated red blood cells, fresh plasma, concentrated platelets or cryoprecipitate is given to patients in need of such a transfusion, via an intravenous drip, during surgery or other medical procedures – in light of illness, blood loss, or a lack of blood or one of its components. The administration of blood or blood products is intended to save the life of the patient and to improve his/her chances of recovery and recuperation.

Collection and testing of blood and/or blood products for a transfusion is performed in strict compliance with the guidelines outlined by the Ministry of Health. In addition, the compatibility of the blood units and the blood products with the recipient patient is verified. Nevertheless, there is a very small risk that there may not be full compatibility between the blood and/or blood products and the patient's body, and that, as a result, the patient may suffer an allergic reaction, which will be manifested by fever, rash or chills. These reactions can be successfully treated. In rare cases, a hemolytic reaction (destruction of red blood cells) may occur, which in extreme cases can impair kidney function and even be fatal. In addition, despite the fact that the blood units and the blood products for transfusion are prepared at the Blood Bank, using the most up-to-date methods for detection of possible contamination, there is a small chance of patient infection. This infection may not be detected for a period of months or even years. The risk of becoming infected with viral hepatitis or AIDS (the human immunodeficiency virus) exists, but is extremely rare.

However, the risk to the health of the patient as a result of not receiving the blood or blood-product transfusion during surgery or medical treatment is much greater than the risks inherent in receiving the transfusion. The risks in not receiving blood or blood products include increased length of hospitalization, failure of the medical treatment provided, medical complications, and in certain cases, even death.

In view of the above, I consent to receive a blood transfusion, as justified by my medical condition.

I was informed that the procedure will be performed under general anesthesia, and the anesthetist will give me a relevant explanation about it.

I am aware of and consent to the procedure and all other procedures to be carried out by the person to whom it was allocated according to the institution's procedures and instructions, and I have not received any assurance that the procedure or a part thereof will be carried out by a particular person, provided it is carried out within the responsibility accepted by the institution and subject to the law.

Date Hour Patient's signature

Guardian's name (relationship) Guardian's signature (in case of incompetency, minor or mental patient)

I hereby confirm that I provided the patient/the patient's guardian* with an oral explanation of all of the above in required details and s/he signed the consent before me after I was convinced s/he fully comprehended my explanation.

Physician's name Physician's signature License no.

* Strike out the irrelevant item

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