

# The Hub Dental Practice



# Informed Consent for Cerec Restorations (including Crowns, Bridges, Veneers and inlays)

Signing this form means that the patient understands that treatment of dental conditions requiring Cerec Restorations includes certain risks and possible unsuccessful results, with even the possibility of failure.

#### 1. Reduction of tooth structure:

Please read the consent form for tooth reduction. Sometimes it is neccersary to grind (Drill) the opposing teeth to recontour their surface. This may be done for esthetic, occlusal or other reasons. This is done as conservatively as possible and will also be discussed and agreed beforehand.

### 2. Teeth with Cerec Restorations may ecome sensitive and/or require root canal treatment:

Please read the consent form for tooth reduction

If root canal treatment, extraction or other further treatment are required then extra charges will apply.

#### 3. Breakage:

Cerec Restorations may possibly chip or break. Many factors could contribute to this situation such as chewing excessively hard materials, changes in biting forces, trauma to the mouth, etc. Unobservable cracks may develop in Cerec Restorations from these causes, but the Cerec Restorations may not actually break until chewing soft foods or possibly for no apparent reason. Breakage or chipping seldom occurs due to defective materials or construction unless it occurs soon after placement.

All Porcelain Cerec Restorations, though having a better cosmetic appearance than restorations containing metal, are more prone to fracture/break. In cases where the patient has a heavy bite, grinds their teeth or has multiple crowns/bridges/implants or veneers then we strongly recommend that they consider a night guard. We strongly suggest that they read the literature we provide on night guards.

# 4. Esthetics or appearance:

Patients will be given the opportunity to observe the appearance of Cerec Restorations in place prior to final cementation. It is understood that while an effort will be made to match the new restorations to existing tooth color when appropriate, it may be extremely difficult or impossible to achieve an exact match and a difference may be noticeable.

## 5. Uncomfortable or strange feeling:

This may occur because of the differences between natural teeth and the artificial replacements. Most patients usually become accustomed to this feeling in time. In limited situations, muscle soreness or tenderness of the jaw joints (TMJ) may persist for indeterminable periods of time following placement of the prosthesis.

### 6. Longevity of Cerec Restorations:

There are many variables that determine how long Cerec Restorations can be expected to last. Among these are some of the factors mentioned already as ell as general health, good oral hygiene, regular dental checkups, diet, etc.

This is why we make no guarantees or promises concerning the expected results, and if the crown or underlying tooth fails, requires replacement, requires recementation, extraction, Root Canal Treatment etc then extra charges will apply.

#### 7. Changes to treatment plan:

Treatment plans are developed based on information available from radiographic and intraoral examination. While every effort has been made to produce a complete and comprehensive treatment plan, situations may arise where while treatment is being performed; additional findings may be observed which necessitate changes to existing treatment plans. When the treatment plan changes, extra charges will apply.

#### 8. Ongoing/subsequent treatment after the crown has been cemented.

It is a patient's responsibility to seek attention from this practice should any undue or unexpected problems occur. In a case where the patient choses further treatment from another dentist the patient must assume the full responsibility for the payment of that treatment. This includes replacent, recemention, extraction etc.

The patient must diligently follow any and all instructions, including the scheduling and attending of all appointments. Failure to keep the cementation appointment can result in ultimate failure of the Cerec restoration to fit properly and an additional fee will be assessed.

### What you are acknowledging:

Signing this Informed consent form is an acknowledgement that the dentist has explained the various options for treatment/restoration, including the options of a filling, an alternative type of crown or no treatment at all. In addition it is an acknowledgement that we have explained the planned procedure and the likely complications. In addition it is an acknowledgement that we have given you the opportunity to ask any question regarding the nature and purpose of Cerec restoration treatment and have received answers to my satisfaction.

In addition it is an acknowledgement that we have given you the opportunity to delay your decision and/or seek a second opinion.

In addition it is an acknowledgement that we have given you a leaflet on Cerec Restorations that explains the choices of materials etc, and that the choices, their advantages and disadvantages, risks etc have been explained to my satisfaction. The fee(s) for services have been explained to me and are satisfactory.

I realise that signing this does not oblige me to have all or any part of the treatment proposed, but is simply an
acknowledgement of the fact that I am giving my informed consent if I decide to go ahead. Similarly signing this
means that I pay for the treatment that I actually have done.

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