

# VENEERS, INLAYS & ONLAYS TREATMENT CONSENT FORM

## 1. Introduction

I understand that there are various types of veneers, inlays and onlays, for example some restorations involve more tooth preparation, some are stronger than others, some have better cosmetic results. The choices have been outlined by my dentist, are available upon request, and are discussed on a treatment page on the dental practice's website. This information has been given to me so that I can make an informed decision about having my veneer, inlay or onlay treatment. I understand that I have the right to ask any questions about any part of the procedure before, during or after undergoing this treatment.

## 2. Risks of treatment

I am signing this consent form to say that I understand and accept the following risks involved:

### i). Sensitivity of teeth

- After the preparation of teeth for veneers, inlays or onlays my teeth may exhibit sensitivity, which can range from mild to severe. This sensitivity may last only for a short period of time or may last for much longer periods. If sensitivity is persistent, I should notify the dentist so that the cause of the sensitivity may be diagnosed.

### ii). Local anesthesia

- In order to reduce tooth structure without causing undue pain during the procedure, it may be necessary to administer local anaesthetic. Very occasionally, such administration may cause reactions or side effects which include, but are not limited to, bruising, hematoma, cardiac stimulation, temporary or, rarely permanent numbness of the tongue, lips, teeth, jaws and/or facial tissues, and muscle soreness.

### iii). Reduction of tooth structure

- In order to replace un-aesthetic, decayed or otherwise traumatized tooth structure it is necessary to modify the existing tooth or teeth so that veneers, inlays or onlays may be placed upon them. Tooth preparation will be done as conservatively as possible but involves irreversible tooth structure loss.

### iv). Teeth with veneers, inlays or onlays may require root canal treatment subsequently

- Teeth after having veneers, inlays or onlays placed may develop a condition known as pulpitis or pulpal degeneration. Usually, this cannot be predetermined. The tooth or teeth may have been traumatized from an accident, deep decay, extensive preparation, or other causes. It is often necessary to do root canal treatments in these teeth, particularly if teeth remain appreciably sensitive or painful for a long period of time following crowning. If this is required, further charges will apply and no refund will be provided for my veneers, inlays or onlays.

### v). Breakage.

- Veneers, inlays or onlays may possibly chip, break or debond. Many factors can contribute to this situation such as chewing excessively hard materials, opening bottles, changes in biting forces exerted, traumatic blows to the mouth, etc. Unobservable cracks may develop in veneers, inlays or onlays from these causes, but the veneer, inlay or onlay

may not actually break until chewing soft foods, or for no apparent reason. Breakage or chipping seldom occurs due to defective materials or construction.

- A laboratory fabricated bite guard may be suitable to help protect my veneers from damage due to night time clenching and grinding. Further charges will apply for a bite guard.

vi) Uncomfortable or strange feeling.

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

vii). Aesthetics or appearance.

- I will be given the opportunity to observe the appearance of veneers, inlays or onlays in my mouth prior to final cementation. If satisfactory, this fact will be acknowledged and recorded. I can be involved in the shade taking along with the dentist. Further charges may apply for alterations made to my veneers, inlays or onlays.

viii). Longevity of Veneers.

- There are many variables that determine "how long" veneers, inlays or onlays can be expected to last. Among these are some of the factors mentioned in preceding paragraphs. In addition, general health, good oral hygiene, regular dental checkups, diet, etc., can affect longevity. Because of this, no guarantees can be made or assumed to be made to me concerning how long veneers, inlays or onlays will last.

### 3. Patient responsibilities

It is my responsibility to seek attention from the dentist should any undue or unexpected problems occur. I must diligently follow any and all instructions, including the scheduling and attending of all appointments.

### 4. Patient Statement

The veneer, inlay or onlay procedure has been explained to me in full including the risks and complications. I have had the opportunity to ask any questions I have regarding the treatment, and have received answers to my satisfaction.

I have read and understood this consent form and I also understand the treatment process in full. I also consent to photographs of my teeth being taken and that they may be used for documentation and illustration of my treatment. I agree to have the Veneer, inlay or onlay treatment.