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*Specializing in the treatment of diseases
of the ear, nose, throat and sinus*

PATIENT INFORMATION MATERIAL

Direct Laryngoscopy with(out) biopsy

Direct laryngoscopy is a diagnostic procedure but may also be therapeutic if removal of a foreign body or tumor is present. It is a frequently performed otolaryngologic procedure and considered to be one of the safest. Among the few complications that may occur are injury to teeth and/or lips and/or gums, risks of general anesthesia, bleeding after biopsy, and failure of the vocal cord to heal after biopsy. Any surgical procedure also carries a risk, albeit small, of death. Voice change or hoarseness is possible after vocal cord injury. There are no guarantees in medicine and so you must be aware that there is also a chance that you may require further surgery to achieve the desired result(s).

I/We have been given an opportunity to ask questions about my condition, alternative forms of treatment, risks of nontreatment, the procedures to be used, and the risks and hazards involved, and I/we have sufficient information to give this informed consent. I/We certify this form has been fully explained to me/us, and I/we understand its contents. I/We understand every effort will be made to provide a positive outcome, but there are no guarantees.

I HAVE COMPLETELY READ AND DO
UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE SURGERY
INFORMATION

Signature

Witness

Date _____

Date _____