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Otolaryngology
Head And Neck Surgery
Facial Plastic Surgery
Allergy, Asthma, Immunology

Patient Name: _____

Doctor Name: _____

Request for Surgery

RISKS AND COMPLICATIONS OF TURBINECTOMY (CRYOTHERAPY/ ELECTROCAUTERY/ COBLATION/ PARTIAL RESECTION/ TOTAL RESECTION/ SUBMUCOUS RESECTION)

The following are the possible complications and risks associated with this procedure. In addition to those listed here, there may be some unforeseen complications as there are with any operative procedure.

Infection: Infection is unusual following this type of surgery. Should it develop, it may require additional surgery to drain the infection and prolong hospital treatment.

Bleeding: Bleeding may occur after surgery. This will usually subside by itself but packing or other methods of hemostasis can be required.

Dryness of the nose and crusting can occur. This is usually temporary but rarely can become permanent.

Swelling and edema of the tissues in the nose can reoccur causing nasal obstruction

Changes in the sense of smell: Surgery can occasionally cause alterations in the sense of smell. This will usually return but can become permanent.

Numbness of the teeth: The nerves to some of the upper teeth pass through the nose. Surgery can cause temporary and rarely permanent damage to these nerves.

Blindness: Blindness can occur as a very unusual complication of any surgical procedure of the face and nose.

General Anesthesia: There are risks involved with general anesthesia and you should discuss these with the anesthesiologist.

Local Anesthesia: Local anesthesia may have risks including allergic reactions or other unfavorable reactions.

I have read, understand and considered the risks and complications of Turbinectomy.

Patient's Name: _____

Patient's signature (or Patient's guardian signature): _____

Witness: _____

Physician: _____

Date: _____