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Otolaryngology  
Head And Neck Surgery  
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**Patient Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Doctor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Request for Surgery**

### **RISKS AND COMPLICATIONS OF MYRINGOTOMY AND INSERTION OF VENTILATING TUBES**

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: An ear infection may develop following ventilation tube insertion. It is easily controlled with antibiotics in most cases.

Eardrum Perforation: Ventilation tube insertion is performed to produce a temporary eardrum perforation (hole). On rare occasions, the tube may become dislodged or removed and the eardrum may fail to heal. Should this happen, the perforation can be repaired surgically when the child is older.

Hearing Loss: It is very rare to develop permanent hearing loss following ventilation tube insertion.

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 Myringotomy and Tube Placement. \_\_\_\_\_

Patient's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient's signature (or Patient's guardian signature): \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_