

SIERRA ENDOSCOPY CENTER, INC.
ANESTHESIA INFORMATION
CONSENT FORM

The facts in this form will help you learn more about the type of anesthesia your doctor has recommended for your procedure. Please read it carefully. You will be asked to sign the last page of this form.

Your doctor has recommended that you have conscious sedation for pain control during your procedure. It will make you sleepy yet comfortable enough so the procedure can be performed.

There are many types of anesthesia.

- Local anesthesia is like the numbing medicine the dentist may use.
- Minimal sedation involves different type of medicine to make you sleepy.
- Conscious sedation places you into a deeper state of sedation but you are able to talk and move.
- General anesthesia makes you unconscious and a machine breathes for you. During general anesthesia, you are not aware of your surroundings and are not able to respond.
- Topical Anesthesia- This is used for patients that are having a esophagastroduodenoscopy a topical anesthesia is used to anesthetize the soft palate.

The Procedure and Follow Up

Your nurse will ask you about any allergies before the procedure.

First, an IV line will be started. An IV line is a plastic tube that is placed into a vein (usually in the hand or arm) so that you can get medicines and fluids during the procedure. Small pads called electrodes may be placed on your chest to monitor your heart.

A plastic clip will be placed on one of your fingers and joined to a pulse oximetry machine. This machine will track your oxygen levels. A blood pressure cuff will be put on your arm to check your blood pressure and other vital signs during the procedure.

The amount of medication is customized for each patient. Your doctor will decide how much is right for you. The nurse, under supervision of the physician, will give you the medication (called sedatives and analgesics) in your IV and start with a small amount. It will make you very sleepy but you will still be able to respond with your voice, by touch, or by movement. You will be able to breathe on your own while you have conscious sedation.

You will have a nurse by your side during the procedure and afterwards during your recovery. The staff working with you will have emergency medicines and equipment available. They also have an emergency plan and special training should something happen during your procedure.

Conscious Sedation Information

While conscious sedation is generally very safe, there are always risks involved with any medical or surgical procedure. Your physician is trained to recognize potential problems and provide treatment early if the need should arise. You should be aware that complications may occur in spite of the best medical care, and rarely may you not respond fully to the treatment provided. With any anesthetic, the risks may range from very minor to serious bodily harm or even death. It should be kept in mind, however, that serious complications arising from the administration of conscious sedation are quite rare. You are encouraged to ask your physician all questions that you may have regarding conscious sedation and to communicate your feelings and concerns.

Consent to Treatment

I understand all the facts given to me. I give my consent to Dr. Chang, Dr. Godil, Dr. Foliente, Dr. Hill, or Dr. Brichler to give conscious sedation to me. I give my consent to Dr. Chang, Dr. Godil, Dr. Foliente, Dr. Hill, or Dr. Brichler to use a topical anesthesia if needed. I prove with my signature below that my doctor has discussed all of the facts in this form with me, that I have had the chance to ask questions, and that all of my questions have been answered.

Date

Signature of Patient or Responsible Party

Date

Witness