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INFORMED CONSENT FOR BANDING OF HEMORRHOIDS

Patient's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Hemorrhoid banding is a procedure in which your physician places an anoscope into your anus or a sigmoidoscope inside your rectum. Tight bands will be placed around the internal hemorrhoids.

There are risks to this procedure, although we believe that the potential benefits outweigh the risks.

- 1. Bleeding is uncommon. However, with severe bleeding blood transfusion and/or surgery may be required. _____
- 2. Perforation (a small hole through the bowel wall) is rare, but if it occurs surgery may be necessary. _____
- 3. Medications may be used to prevent pain and discomfort. Also, there is also no guarantee that you will be free from pain during the procedure, and medications adverse reaction may rarely occur. _____
- 4. Infection is rare and may require administration of intravenous antibiotics. _____
- 5. Any of the complications above may lead to hospitalization and death. _____

There are alternatives to hemorrhoid banding including conservative management, infrared coagulation treatment and hemorrhoidectomy.

If you want more time to consider this procedure or have further questions, please ask us.

HAVING READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE ABOVE, I FEEL THAT THE BENEFITS OF THIS PROCEDURE OUTWEIGH THE RISKS. I HAVE DISCUSSED THE RISKS, ALTERNATIVES, AND HAVE BEEN GIVEN AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS.

Signature

Date

In presence of: Spouse _____ Companion: _____ Staff : _____
Parent _____ Patient alone: _____