

# CONSENT FOR TURBINATE MODIFICATION



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Your doctor has recommended an in-office procedure called a turbinate modification (or submucous resection of the inferior turbinates). The nasal turbinates are structures that protrude from the sidewalls of the nose. They may be abnormally enlarged producing or contributing to nasal obstruction and drainage. The procedure to reduce the size of the nasal turbinates is called a turbinate modification (or submucous resection of the inferior turbinates).

Complications from this procedure are uncommon, however they can occur. It is possible that the procedure will not help you, or that you will be worse after the procedure than you were before. Because of these facts, your doctor can make no guarantee as to the result that might be obtained from this procedure. However, in the majority of the cases, the desired result is achieved.

Some of the potential complications are: Bleeding, infection, damage to the tear in the tear duct system causing excessive tearing, nasal dryness and persistent nasal crusting, and allergic or adverse reactions to substances used during the procedure.

There may be alternatives to this procedure such as the continued use of drug therapy. The alternatives carry their own risk of complications and carrying degree of success.

I CERTIFY that I have read or had read to me and understand the risks of this procedure.

I consent to the photographing, filming, or videotaping of the treatment or procedure for educational and diagnostic use.

I do not wish to have my treatment or procedure photographed, filmed, or videotaped for any use.

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

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

Patient account #: \_\_\_\_\_

