



**COVID-19 RISK INFORMED CONSENT**

I \_\_\_\_\_ (patient name) understand that I am opting for an elective treatment/procedure/surgery that is not urgent and may not be medically necessary.

I also understand that the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. I further understand that COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread by person-to-person contact; and, as a result, federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing. I recognize that Dr. Cynthia Diehl or Dr. Shruti Tannan and all the staff at Diehl Plastic Surgery and Tannan Plastic Surgery are closely monitoring this situation and have put in place reasonable preventative measures aimed to reduce the spread of COVID-19. However, given the nature of the virus, I understand there is an inherent risk of becoming infected with COVID-19 by virtue of proceeding with this elective treatment/procedure/surgery. I hereby acknowledge and assume the risk of becoming infected with COVID-19 through this elective treatment/procedure/surgery, and I give my express permission for Dr. Cynthia Diehl or Dr. Shruti Tannan and all the staff at Diehl Plastic Surgery and Tannan Plastic Surgery to proceed with the same.

I understand that, even if I have been tested for COVID and received a negative test result, the tests in some cases may fail to detect the virus or I may have contracted COVID after the test. I understand that, if I have a COVID-19 infection, and even if I do not have any symptoms for the same, proceeding with this elective treatment/procedure/surgery can lead to a higher chance of complication and death.

I understand that possible exposure to COVID-19 before/during/after my treatment/procedure/surgery may result in the following: a positive COVID-19 diagnosis, extended quarantine/self-isolation, additional tests, hospitalization that may require medical therapy, Intensive Care treatment, possible need for intubation/ventilator support, short-term or long-term intubation, other potential complications, and the risk of death. In addition, after my elective treatment/procedure/surgery, I may need additional care that may require me to go to an emergency room or a hospital.

I understand that COVID-19 may cause additional risks, some or many of which may not currently be known at this time, in addition to the risks described herein, as well as those risks for the treatment/procedure/surgery itself.

I have been given the option to defer my treatment/procedure/surgery to a later date. However, I understand all the potential risks, including but not limited to the potential short-term and long-term complications related to COVID-19, and I would like to proceed with my desired treatment/procedure/surgery.

**INFORMED CONSENT FOR COVID-19 RISK**

I UNDERSTAND THE EXPLANATION AND HAVE NO MORE QUESTIONS AND CONSENT TO THE PROCEDURE.

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Patient or Person Authorized to Sign for Patient Date/Time

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time \_\_\_\_\_

# COVID-19 INFORMED CONSENT AGREEMENT

Please read this form, Write your initials in each box and sign at the bottom.

I, the undersigned patient, consent to have my Doctor and/or his/her staff (hereinafter collectively "my Doctor") perform medical procedures, whether regarded as necessary, elective or aesthetic, during the time of the COVID-19 pandemic and after. I understand having my procedure performed at this time, despite my own efforts and those of my Doctor, may increase the risk of my exposure to COVID-19. I am aware that exposure to COVID-19 can result in severe illness, intensive therapies, extended intubation and/or ventilator support, life-altering changes to my health, and even death. I am also aware of the possibility that the procedure itself, whether performed in my Doctor's office or in a hospital, may result in a more severe case of COVID-19 than I might have had without the procedure.

I also understand having my procedure performed at this time increases the risk of my transmission of COVID-19 to my Doctor. This virus has a long incubation period, there may be as yet unknown aspects of its transmission, and I realize that I may be contagious, whether or not I have been tested or have symptoms. To reduce the possibility of COVID-19 exposure or transmission at my Doctor's office, I accept that my Doctor will implement infection-control procedures with which I must comply, before, during and after my procedure, for my own protection as well as that of my Doctor. I understand my cooperation is mandatory, whether or not I personally feel such COVID-19 procedures and/or preventive measures to be necessary.

I have informed my Doctor of any COVID-19 testing I or any person living with me during the past 14 days has received, as well as the results of that testing, and if I am tested between now and the date of my procedure, I will immediately provide the results of that testing to my Doctor. I understand my Doctor may require that I be tested, possibly at my own expense and regardless of any prior testing, and that the results of that testing must be satisfactory to my Doctor, before I may receive my procedure.

I confirm neither I nor any individual living with me has any of the COVID-19 symptoms listed by the Centers for Disease Control <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/COVID19-symptoms.pdf>, which website I have consulted; neither I nor any individual living with me during the past 14 days has experienced any such symptoms; and that I and all persons living with me for the past 14 days have practiced all personal hygiene, social distancing and other COVID-19 recommendations contained within all governmental orders issued by my city and state. I understand I must honestly disclose this information to avoid putting myself and others at risk.

All topics above have been discussed with me, and all my questions have been answered to my satisfaction. Being fully informed, I accept the risk of COVID-19 exposure and I will bear the cost of any COVID-19 treatments required. I have been given the opportunity to postpone my procedure until the COVID-19 pandemic is less prevalent, but I choose to have my procedure performed now. If I am the parent, guardian or conservator of the patient, I hold his/her health care power of attorney. I have read this COVID-19 Informed Consent Agreement and am authorized to consent on the patient's behalf.

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Patient/Authorized Representative Signature and Initials

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Print Name & Date



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