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Specializing In:

Disorders of:
- hoarseness
- breathing
- swallowing
- singers
- actors
- speakers

Procedures of:
- diagnostic stroboscopy
- digital laryngeal imaging
- laryngeal injections
- laser treatments
- vocal cord augmentation
- microlaryngoscopy
- nerve grafting
- vocal pitch surgery
- laser tumor resection

PARQ (Procedure, Alternatives, Risks & Questions) conference

Procedure: MICROLARYNGOSCOPY with
- ❏ **Excision**
- ❏ **Injection**
- ❏ **Other** _____
- ❏ **DEKA laser 31541** ❏ **DEKA laser standby** ❏ **no laser**

Anesthesia: General **Time:** 1 hour 1½ hours 2 hours

Alternatives: might include speech therapy or no treatment.

Risks: Anesthesia risk, chipped tooth, numb tongue, suboptimal result, laser burn
Laryngoscopy means inserting a metal tube in the throat to view the voice box. The main risks of surgery include, but are not limited to a reaction to anesthesia, which is uncommon but can be life threatening. The procedure can uncommonly cause a chipped tooth. More common is a numb tongue for a few days to several weeks after the procedure. In my experience this has resolved. If a laser is used, the risk includes a possible burn by the laser in an area other than intended. Laser precautions are utilized to prevent an airway fire. Results with surgery cannot be guaranteed and a sub-optimal result is possible. There is an extensive explanation of the procedure available in print from the office or on the internet at http://www.voicedoctor.net/surgery/mxlx.html.

Students may be involved in observing or assisting with the procedures described above. Their name(s) is/are _____.

Questions:
Dr. Thomas explained all of the above to me, I have had the opportunity to view the extensive explanation on the voicedoctor.net website. My questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I consent to the procedure.

_____ ____ :____ ____ / ____/____
Patient signature Time Date

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Witness signature

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James P. Thomas, MD

Preferred Hospital:
Legacy Emanuel Futures Providence Portland

Vital Signs: BP ___ / ___ P____ R____

Chest: clear crackles

Heart: regular irregular

Microlaryngoscopy

Name: **DOB:** ____ / ____ / _____