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Name: _____ Today's date ____ / ____ / 2007

PARQ (Procedure, Alternatives, Risks & Questions) conference

Procedure: Microlaryngoscopy with

Excision

Injection

Other _____

CO2 laser 31541

CO2 laser standby

no laser

general anesthesia

Time 1 hour 1 1/2 hours 2 hours

Preferred Date of Surgery: ____ / ____ / ____ ASAP, at patient convenience

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 or at <http://www.voicedoctor.net/surgery/mx1x.html>.

Questions: Dr. Thomas explained to me the risks of surgery and my questions have been answered to my satisfaction.

Students, residents or fellows may be involved in observing or assisting with procedures described above.

Patient signature

Date & Time

Preferred hospital

Legacy Emanuel

Providence

Vital signs BP ____ / ____ P ____, R ____

Chest: clear crackles

Heart: regular irregular

surgeon

Date & Time

Surgical Scheduling Information for Laryngoscopy