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CONSENT FOR INFANT CIRCUMCISION

Circumcision is the procedure of removing a portion of the foreskin from the tip of the penis. This is an elective surgical procedure.

The benefits of circumcision include a lower risk of urinary tract infections as an infant and a lower risk of penile cancers as an adult. Additionally, circumcised males have fewer problems with balanitis (inflammation of the foreskin) or phimosis (a tight foreskin that is unable to slip over the glans of the penis).

The risks of circumcision include those of any surgical procedure, and include, but are not limited to, infection, bleeding and poor cosmetic outcome. Although rare events, these complications can be significant.

Rarely, during the circumcision procedure, a hypospadias is discovered. Hypospadias is a condition where the opening of the penis (the meatus) is not on the tip of the penis but on the underside of the glans of the penis. Should this be discovered the foreskin would not be removed and a referral to a urologist would be made. Sometimes the tissue of the foreskin may be used for the surgical repair of the hypospadias.

I have read and understand the above information. I understand the risks and benefits of circumcision. I want to have my child circumcised and hereby authorize Dr. Jim Bennett, Dr. Sara Liu, Dr. Raelene Walker, Dr. Jill Parello or Dr. Rose Tran to perform this procedure.

Parent's Name

Infant's Name

Birth Date

Parent's Signature

Witness' Signature

Date