

Consent for Circumcision

I agree to have **Dr. Craig Singer** perform a circumcision for my child. I understand that this procedure will include the use of local anesthesia.

I acknowledge that circumcision is an **elective surgical procedure**. Although potential medical benefits exist, I understand that the **American Academy of Pediatrics does not recommend routine circumcision for all newborn boys**.

I understand that the risks of newborn circumcision include **bleeding, infection**, and **variations in the amount of skin removed** (either too much or too little). I understand that, although uncommon, more serious complications may very rarely occur, including **injury to the penis, scarring, severe hemorrhage, the need for transfusion or hospitalization**. I understand that, as with any procedure, **unexpected complications may occur**. I understand that **no guarantee can be made regarding the final cosmetic appearance**.

I understand that I will have the opportunity to ask Dr. Singer any questions prior to the procedure. I agree to follow the aftercare instructions that will be provided to me at the time of the circumcision.

Alternative treatments include not having a circumcision performed, thereby leaving my child uncircumcised.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I understand the information provided and consent to proceed with circumcision.

Intramuscular Vitamin K and Acknowledgment of Increased Bleeding Risk

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends administration of intramuscular vitamin K at birth for all newborns. Intramuscular vitamin K has been scientifically shown to prevent Vitamin K Deficiency Bleeding of the newborn (formerly termed Hemorrhagic Disease of the Newborn), including life-threatening intracranial hemorrhage.

I understand that failure to administer intramuscular vitamin K increases the risk of bleeding in my newborn, including early bleeding (within the first two weeks of life) and late bleeding (between 2–12 weeks of age).

I understand that newborns who do not receive intramuscular vitamin K have an increased risk of bleeding during and after circumcision. I further understand that, without intramuscular vitamin K, there is an elevated risk of uncontrolled hemorrhage that may require emergency intervention at a hospital, blood transfusion, general anesthesia, and may result in permanent injury or death. I understand that, as with any procedure, unexpected complications may occur.

I also understand that while **oral** vitamin K may help reduce the risk of bleeding, it is not a substitute for intramuscular vitamin K.

I acknowledge that I will have the opportunity to ask Dr. Singer all the questions regarding vitamin K administration and the consequences of declining vitamin K.

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