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Premedication Alert Form

To be completed by your family physician.

It is important for dental hygienists and dentists as members of the oral health care team to be aware of certain medical conditions of their patients.

During dental treatment, gingival bleeding may occur. For some patients with cardiac abnormalities or those who have an artificial prosthesis (artificial joint), this can present a risk.

When bleeding occurs, bacteria from the mouth can enter the bloodstream and work its way to the heart or the prosthesis. Bacteria may cause breakdown of the prosthesis or bacterial endocarditis, a serious inflammation of the heart valves and tissues. Should this happen, a person's health is at serious risk.

By working closely with family physicians, cardiologists, orthopedic surgeons and/or other medical specialists, we all become partners in overall health.

*Please complete the following premedication alert form and fax back to our office at (905)623-9331.

Patient's Name: _____

Medical Condition: _____

- Requires **No** antibiotic coverage.
- Requires antibiotic coverage for procedures likely to induce gingival bleeding.

Doctors Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____