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DENTISTRY WITH INTEGRITY

The undersigned has been informed that I have periodontal disease and/or generalized gingival inflammation. This disease process has been explained to me and I fully understand the following:

1. This disease can result in the loss of bone which normally supports the teeth.
2. To help prevent the further loss of bone around my teeth, I must prevent buildup of live bacteria called "bacterial plaque" on a daily basis and it is my responsibility to schedule the regular dental checkups and cleansing after treatment is complete.
3. The proposed treatment plan to arrest the effects of periodontal disease has been explained to me and I understand that additional treatment may be needed later if further problems develop.
4. As a result of the scaling and root planing and curettage:
 - a. The gums may be receded where cleaned and portions of the root may be exposed.
 - b. The exposed roots may be more sensitive to hot, color, and/or sweets. This problem usually corrects itself. Occasionally further treatment may be needed. On rare occasions, this condition persists no matter what is done.
 - c. The exposed roots, being more porous, can stain more easily than the crowns of the teeth.
 - d. Food can collect more easily between the teeth after meals while the gum tissue is healing.
 - e. The teeth may feel more loose immediately after cleaning. This occasionally persists indefinitely on isolated teeth where more bone loss has taken place. Normally, the teeth will return back to about as stable as they were prior to treatment if not more stable.
 - f. If significant bone loss has occurred around upper front teeth, speech may be slurred post operatively. In more severe cases, an appliance may be needed to replace missing gum tissues around the front teeth for esthetics and to correct this speech problem.
5. Failure to follow these recommended actions will most likely result in continued bone loss with possibility of periodontal abscesses and eventually, tooth loss.

6. After an appropriate amount of healing period, the status of periodontal disease will be evaluated. At that time, referral to a periodontist for periodontal surgery may be indicated.
7. I am aware that the practice of dentistry is not an exact science and I acknowledge that no guarantees have been made to me.
8. The risks involved in the administration of anesthetics, sedative agents, and the procedure itself have been fully explained to me and I do give my free voluntary informed consent for the providers at brush365 to provide the recommended treatment.