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Advanced Oral Screening Consent Form

In our continuing efforts to provide the most advanced technology and the highest quality care available to our patients, this practice is proud to announce the inclusion of the **Vizilite® Plus** exam and the **Oral HPV saliva test.**

Both screening tests are painless and highly recommended as an essential part of your comprehensive oral cancer screening program.

One person dies every hour from oral cancer in the United States – and the mortality has remained unchanged for more than 40 years. Alarmingly, more than 25% of oral cancer victims have no lifestyle risk factors. Clinical studies have determined that using these additional oral cancer exams in conjunction with the standard oral cancer examination, improves the clinician's ability to identify, evaluate and monitor suspicious areas at their earliest stages. Early detection of pre-cancerous tissue can minimize or eliminate the potentially disfiguring effects of oral cancer and possibly save your life. Proven screening technologies such as mammogram, thermographs, Pap smear, PSA and colonoscopy offer the same types of early detection of cancer. **Vizilite** and **the Oral HPV saliva test** are both easy and painless. They give us the best chance to find any oral abnormalities you may have at the earliest possible stage. These technologies are both cleared by the FDA for the identification and monitoring of oral abnormalities that could lead to cancer.

Oral cancer risk by patient profile:

Increased Risk: Patients age 18 – 39

High Risk: Patients age 40 and older; tobacco users of any age

Highest Risk: Patients age 40 and older

Anyone of any age with lifestyle risk factors (tobacco use, alcohol use, history of oral

sex); patients with a family history of oral cancer

Dental insurance may not cover these advanced oral cancer screenings. Our office recommends the **Vizilite** exam and **Oral HPV saliva test** at least once in your lifetime for a baseline evaluation. Depending on your results, recommendations may be made for future evaluations.

Fees for these advanced oral cancer screening test: Vizilite Plus: \$85

Oral HPV saliva test: \$215

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Name:	Signature:	Date:
No. I would prefer not to	have the Vizilite Plus/Oral HPV exam at	this time.
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