



Haemorrhoid Banding Patient Consent Form

- **Full Name:** _____
- **Date of Birth:** _____

I, the undersigned, consent to haemorrhoidal banding. This is a treatment for haemorrhoids which are dilated veins near the anus. This procedure involves placing a tight band around the base of the haemorrhoid to cut off its blood supply, destroying the vessel.

The primary purpose of banding is to alleviate symptoms such as bleeding, irritation, and swelling. This procedure is recommended due to the persistence of symptoms despite other simple treatments such as increasing water and fibre intake and using stool softeners (such as agarol or coloxyl).

Risks associated with banding include, but are not limited to pain, bleeding, infection at the site of banding, hemorrhoidal thrombosis (clot within the haemorrhoid), adverse reaction to sedation/anaesthesia and rarely pelvic sepsis. Rarely the band may need to be removed if post procedure pain does not settle.

Benefits of banding include a minimally invasive procedure with a quick recovery time, effective relief from symptoms, and the ability to perform the procedure on an outpatient basis without the risks, cost and time associated with surgery (such as hemorrhoidectomy or stapled haemorrhoidopexy).

Limitations of banding include that it is not a permanent cure and haemorrhoids may recur (although this is possible after haemorrhoid surgery also). Also banding may not be appropriate for very large internal haemorrhoids or external haemorrhoids. Following banding, straining and heavy lifting should be avoided and stool softeners (e.g. Agarol) should be used.

Patient Acknowledgment:

- I understand that my doctor will be available to answer any further questions at the time of the procedure. I understand the information provided and voluntarily consent to proceed with the haemorrhoidal banding. I consent to any necessary treatment or interventions that may arise during the procedure.

Signatures:

Patient Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Doctor Signature: _____ **Date:** _____