

Patient Acknowledgement of Severe Structural Damage to Teeth

Severe Structural Damage refers to the loss of more than half of your tooth. Damage can be caused and worsened by many factors, including dental decay, previous fillings and root canal treatments, trauma, grinding, as well as my dietary (i.e high acidic containing diet) and smoking habits.

A Tufts Dental School provider has examined my teeth and told me:

- One or more of my teeth has moderate-to-severe damage.
- My treatment options include No Treatment.
- If I choose to have my tooth repaired with a crown, I may need additional procedures to make up for the large amount of lost tooth structure. These procedures, which might include root canal treatment, post and build-up, or surgery to expose more of my tooth, can increase overall treatment time and cost.
- My tooth may no longer be able to be repaired at any point during treatment. Ultimately, my tooth may need to be removed.
- Even if my treatment is successful and my homecare is good, my tooth may suffer from infection, dental decay, or root breakage, and may not be fixable in the future.
- My providers will do their best to extend the life of my tooth but cannot guarantee successful treatment outcomes.

MY PROVIDER TOLD ME THAT ONE OR MORE OF MY TEETH HAVE MODERATE-TO-SEVERE STRUCTURAL DAMAGE. I understand the information my provider shared with me. I read this form or had it read to me, and I understand the risks and possible problems due to structural damage of my teeth. My provider and others offered treatment options and gave me information, including the information in this form, in plain language that I understand. My questions have been answered.

Please sign this form electronically during your appointment.

IMPORTANT: If the patient is under 18 years of age, or unable to consent, a parent or authorized personal representative must sign this form.