

Obtaining Consent Checklist

- Has the **nature of the procedure** been explained to the patient in detail?
- Has the patient been provided with **written material** in relation to the procedure to be undertaken, if appropriate?
- Has there been a **cost disclosure** about likely costs and any reason that the costs may differ?
- Has the **risks and benefits, as normally understood** by dentists, been explained to the patient?
- Are there **any particular risks in relation to this procedure** that are pertinent to this patient that they would not necessarily advert to?
- Has the patient been given an opportunity to **ask questions** about the procedure?
- Has the patient been given an opportunity to ask **questions about the costs**?
- Has the patient had explained to them the **adverse outcomes that can arise in terms of the procedure** for their teeth, their oral health and their general health?
- Have the **consequences of taking no action at all** been explained to the patient?
- Have **alternative options** been explained to the patient for the treatment of the condition?
- Has a **referral been considered** and offered to the patient in relation to the treatment?
- Has the patient been reassured **that if they change their mind** or have any questions, they are free to contact the practice and speak to the practitioner or to make an appointment for an additional consultation?
- Has a **treatment plan been provided** to the patient?
- Has the **treatment plan been explained** to the patient?
- Do the **clinical notes** reflect the above ?