

**Consent for Voluntary Sterilization, Bilateral Vasectomy**

I came to Dr. Richard D. Levin for voluntary sterilization. I clearly state that I desire not to have any more children, and that I expect this procedure to result in permanent sterility. Dr. Levin clearly discussed with me the other options including the use of condoms and other birth control methods.

I understand that all surgical procedures have risks, and these have been clearly explained to me. All surgery has inherent risks of anesthesia, bleeding and infection. The anesthesiologist will review the anesthesia risks, should I elect to have anything more than local anesthesia. I also understand that there are certain risks inherent to this procedure, including, but not limited to: Testicular loss or injury; Hematoma (blood in scrotum); Recanalization (return of fertility at a later date, after being sterile for some time); Persistent fertility; Postoperative pain; Sperm granuloma. Dr. Levin assured me that he would do his best to minimize all of these risks. Long term or chronic pain is a less common and unpredictable problem, It can be difficult to treat. It may require other surgeries, medications, etc, and is not a preventable complication of the procedure performed by Dr Levin.

I also understand that I must take responsibility for assuring my own postoperative sterility. I will refrain from any ejaculation for 2 weeks after surgery, after which time, I will refrain from unprotected intercourse for 6 more weeks (2 months total). I will then provide a sample for semen analysis, and repeat it in another month. During this time, I will also refrain from unprotected intercourse. When I receive information from Dr. Levin, personally, that two samples in a row do not contain any live sperm, and I am considered sterile, I will be allowed to have unprotected intercourse. I will also provide a repeat sample yearly, to assure that no recanalization has taken place. Should I ever have any samples with any live sperm, I will be considered fertile, and a repeat Bilateral Vasectomy will be the recommended treatment.

I am confident with the explanations given me by my urologist, Dr. Richard D. Levin, have had my questions answered, and wish to proceed with treatment using this procedure.

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Patient Name

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