



# EAR CENTER NORTHWEST

## MYRINGOTOMY AND INSERTION OF VENTILATION TUBES; ADENOIDECTOMY

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PATIENT

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SURGERY DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF SURGERY

BENEFITS: \_\_\_\_\_

### **RISKS AND COMPLICATIONS OF SURGERY:**

The following are the possible complications and risks associate with these procedures. In addition to those listed, there may be some unforeseen complications with any operative procedure.

Infection: Ear infection may develop following ventilation tube insertion. It is easily controlled with antibiotics in most cases.

Hearing Loss: It is very rare to develop permanent hearing loss following ventilation tube insertion.

Eardrum Perforation: Ventilation tube insertion is performed to produce a temporary eardrum perforation (hole). On rare occasions, when the tube is dislodged or removed, the eardrum fails to heal. Should this happen, the perforation can be repaired surgically when the child is older.

Hemorrhage: Is the major risk of adenoidectomy. Although not common, should this occur, blood transfusions might be necessary and hospitalization could be prolonged. Death from hemorrhage is an extremely rare complication.

General Anesthesia Complication: There are risks involved with any anesthesia and you may discuss these with the anesthesiologist if desired.

ALTERNATIVES: Watch and wait; Antibiotics

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I have read, understand, and considered the risks and complications of this surgery and accept them.

SIGNATURE OF PATIENT: \_\_\_\_\_

MINOR: \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL GUARDIAN or PARENTS SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

The patient, legal guardian or parent acknowledges to me that he or she has read and understands the terms of this consent.

WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_