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Notice to Patients Who have Taken Bisphosphonate Medication

Introduction

Bisphosphonates are a class of drugs that inhibit bone thinning. They are currently prescribed in the treatment of:

Cancer, Osteoporosis, Osteopenia and Post-Menopausal Bone Loss

These drugs are given intravenously in cancer treatment and have brand names such as:

Bonefos, Aredia, Skelide and Zometa.

I have taken this type of drug Yes _____ No _____

These drugs are taken in pill form for osteoporosis treatment and have brand names such as:

Fosamax, Didronel, Actonel and Boniva.

I have taken this type of drug Yes _____ No _____

These drugs stay in the body and can cause side effects many years after they were taken.

Precautions Regarding Dental Treatment

If you are taking or have taken any bisphosphonate medication, you should be aware of the risk for serious complications in any dental surgical procedure. This includes extractions, implant placement and periodontal surgery.

Bisphosphonates have been associated with osteonecrosis of the jaw bones (death of the bone) and/or poor bone healing.

Signature

I certify that I speak, read and write English. I further certify that I have read and fully understand the above notice and have had all of my questions answered.

Patient's (Or Legal Guardian's) Signature

Date

Witness Signature

Date