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**CONSENT FOR EAR PIERCING**

**Patient Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please initial the following:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that my ears will be pierced with pre-sterilized, single use ear piercing earrings by BLOMDAHL medical ear piercing

\_\_\_\_\_ I acknowledge that if I am taking blood-thinning medications, antibiotics, am diabetic, pregnant, have a history of infection or any other medical problems, that ear piercing may carry a greater risk for me.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that, despite ABC Pediatrics, PC's best efforts and my proper following of aftercare, the potential for infection exists. Improper after care or hygiene, metal sensitivity, or the other causes may increase the risk for infection. Ear piercing may result in the formation of cysts or keloids.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read, and understand the *AFTER CARE PROCEDURES* and have received a copy for my reference. I understand that after care is solely my responsibility and that ABC Pediatrics, PC will not monitor it.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have agreed to this ear piercing procedure, and am fully aware of the potential risks and complications.

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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### **AFTER CARE INSTRUCTIONS – IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

1. Never touch your child's ears with unclean hands. Do not twist the earrings.
2. Wash your child's newly pierced ears (on both sides) thoroughly twice a day. Use liquid soap and clean running water once a day, for example when bathing. Thereafter rinse thoroughly with plenty of clean running water and dry with a tissue or Q-Tip. Do not remove the earring when cleansing.
3. Make sure that your child's newly pierced ears and the area around are always kept clean dry and airy.
4. Take extra care when you put on or remove clothes over your child's head, to prevent the earrings from getting caught.
5. After six weeks you can carefully remove your child's ear piercing earrings- preferably after having had a shower or hair wash. Also be careful when you put new earrings with thinner posts in. The earrings, as well as the hands that hold them, should be thoroughly washed.
6. Have your child wear earrings the whole time during the first year after ear piercing. If your child goes without earrings, the holes can shrink and grow together.
7. Bathing in a swimming pool, lake or sea: Avoid during the first few days directly after piercing. Wait for as long as possible, stay in the water for as short a time as possible, avoid having your child's head under water. When your child comes out of the water use liquid soap and let it lather, thereafter rinse thoroughly, and dry with a clean Q-Tip or clean tissue. Air dry.

**Important!** If you get an infection: If the hole is in soft part of the ear lobe, remove the earrings and rinse with soap and water. If it is not better the following day, contact your doctor.

### **THIS IS HOW YOU REMOVE THE EAR PIERCING EARRINGS:**

Wash your hand and ear lobe! With one hand take hold of the jewelry part of the ear piercing earring. With the other hand wriggle the butterfly (earring backing); until you feel that the butterfly loosens. Repeat this in the opposite direction and the butterfly will loosen with ease.