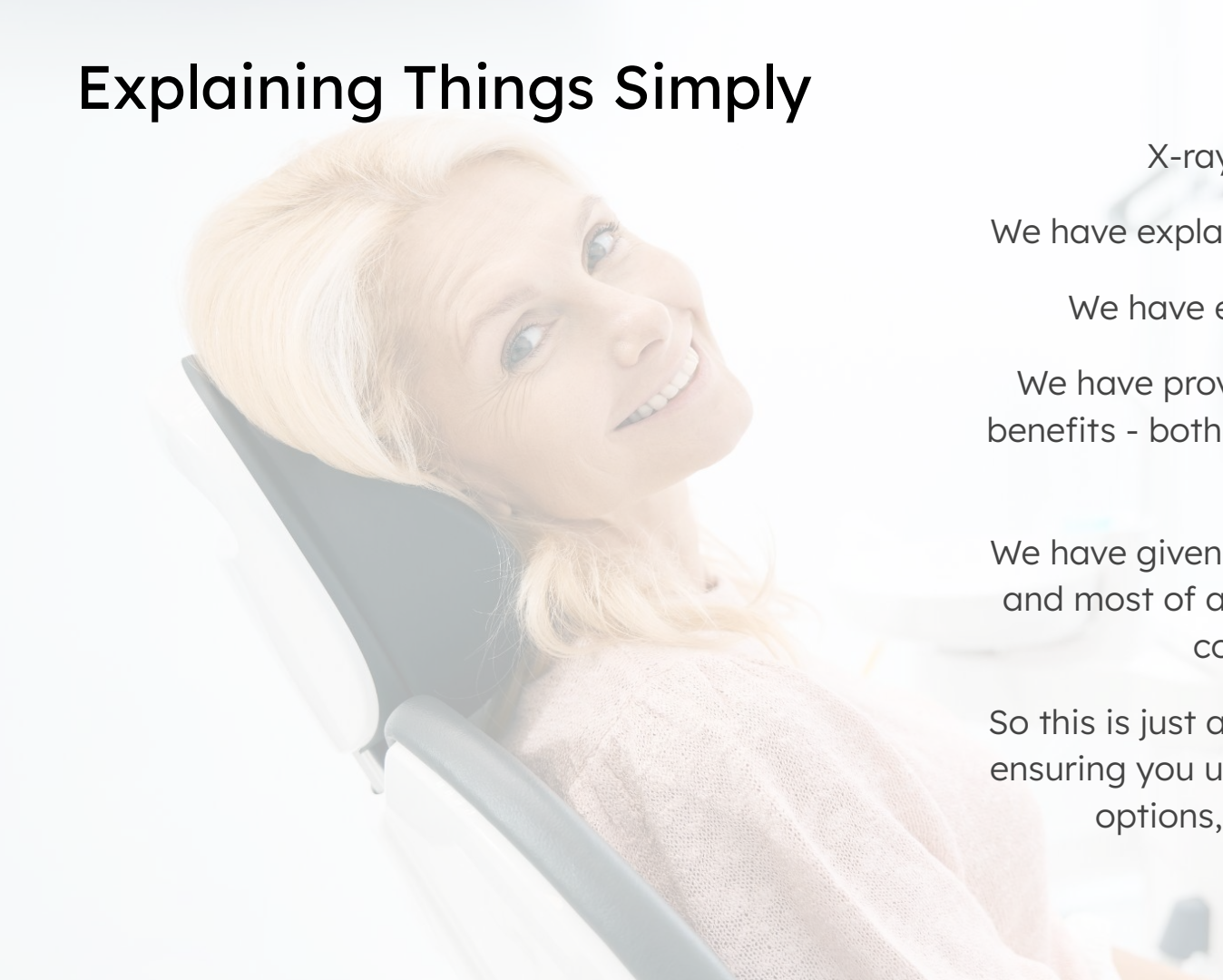
VISUALISING CONSENT

Explaining Things Simply



X-rays have been taken.

We have explained all the options available.

We have explained the procedure.

We have provided you with the risks and benefits - both orally and provided a written sheet to read.

We have given you the opportunity to think, and most of all leave and discuss during a cooling off period.

So this is just an overview, a 2 minute video, ensuring you understand the procedure, the options, the risks and benefits.

Your Extraction

Written consent

INFORMED CONSENT FOR EXTRACTION

This information is provided to help you understand the treatment recommended for you. Before beginning
the treatment, I want to be certain that I have provided you with enough information in a way you can understand, so that you are well informed and confident that you wish to proceed. This form will provide some of the information. I will also have a discussion with you.

PLEASE BE SURE TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS YOU WISH. It is better to ask them now, than wonder about it after we start the treatment.

Dental Extraction involves removing one or more teeth, and may require sectioning the teeth or trimming the gum or bone.

Benefits: The proposed treatment should help to relieve your symptoms or prevent the development of other problems.

Risks:

- As in all surgical procedures, extractions may not be perfectly safe.
- Unexpected additional treatment may become necessary due to complications of surgery.
- The healing process may vary; no guarantees can be made. Smoking may adversely affect the extraction site healing and may cause a dry socket (extremely painful for about one week). Smokers have more dry sockets than non-smokers.
- Occasionally, the necessary blood clot that forms in the socket may disintegrate or dislodge. This painful condition, called dry socket, lasts a week or more and is treated by placing a medicated dressing in the tooth socket to aid healing.
- If unexpected difficulties occur during treatment, you may be referred to an oral surgeon, who is a specialist in dental surgery.
- You will receive a local anaesthetic and/or other medications which carry risks, side effects, and drug interactions. Medications, drugs and prescriptions may cause drowsiness and lack of awareness and coordination, which can be increased with the use of alcohol, or other drugs; thus I have been advised not to work or operate any vehicle, automobile, or hazardous device while taking medications and/or drugs, or until fully recovered from the effects of the same.
- Following treatment, you may have bleeding, pain, swelling, infection or discomfort.
- Extraction surgery may leave your jaw feeling stiff and sore and may make it difficult for you to open wide
  for several days.

Oral consent

Video

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Referral
Restoration
Antibiotics
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The Options

Why exactly do I have pain and an extraction has been advised

What do you understand .

What is involved in extraction

What are your options and alternatives .

What are the potential complications .

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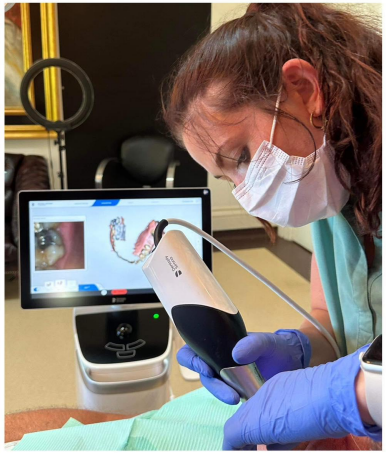

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Extracting Teeth - from local anaesthetic to some pressure and removal

Main Complications

Bruising or swelling - it is a surgical procedure!

Pain - No Pain

Fracture of the tooth

Retained roots referral

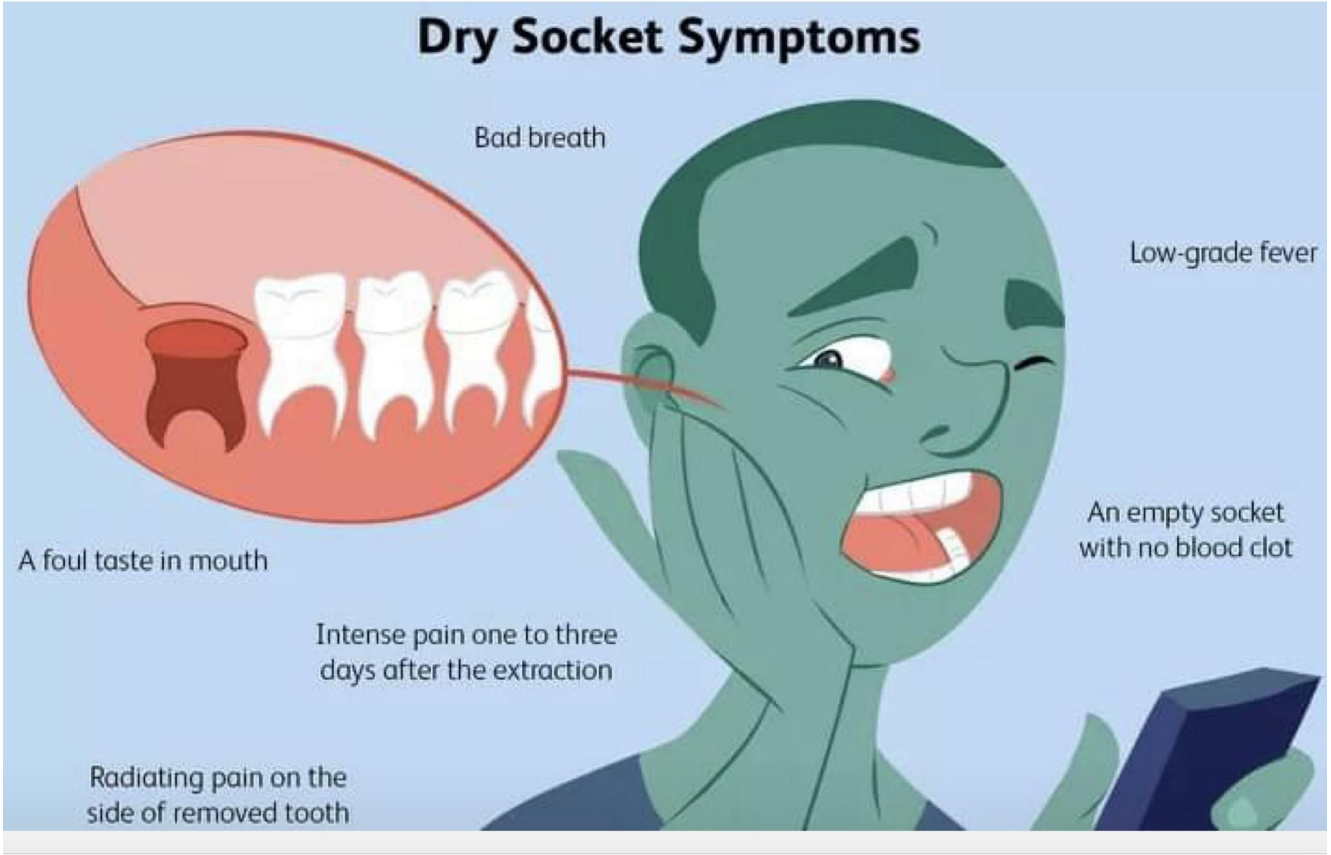
Infection - Dry Socket

Bleeding

On upper Back teeth - Sinus issues and discussions

Lower teeth - wisdom nerve damages

Post Op. Care



One of the most common complications of extractions!

How do we avoid? Protect the socket!

Antibiotics: Do I need them?

Best way to help with pain - either drain the infection, or remove the tooth

Paracetamol and Ibuprofen are recommended painkillers

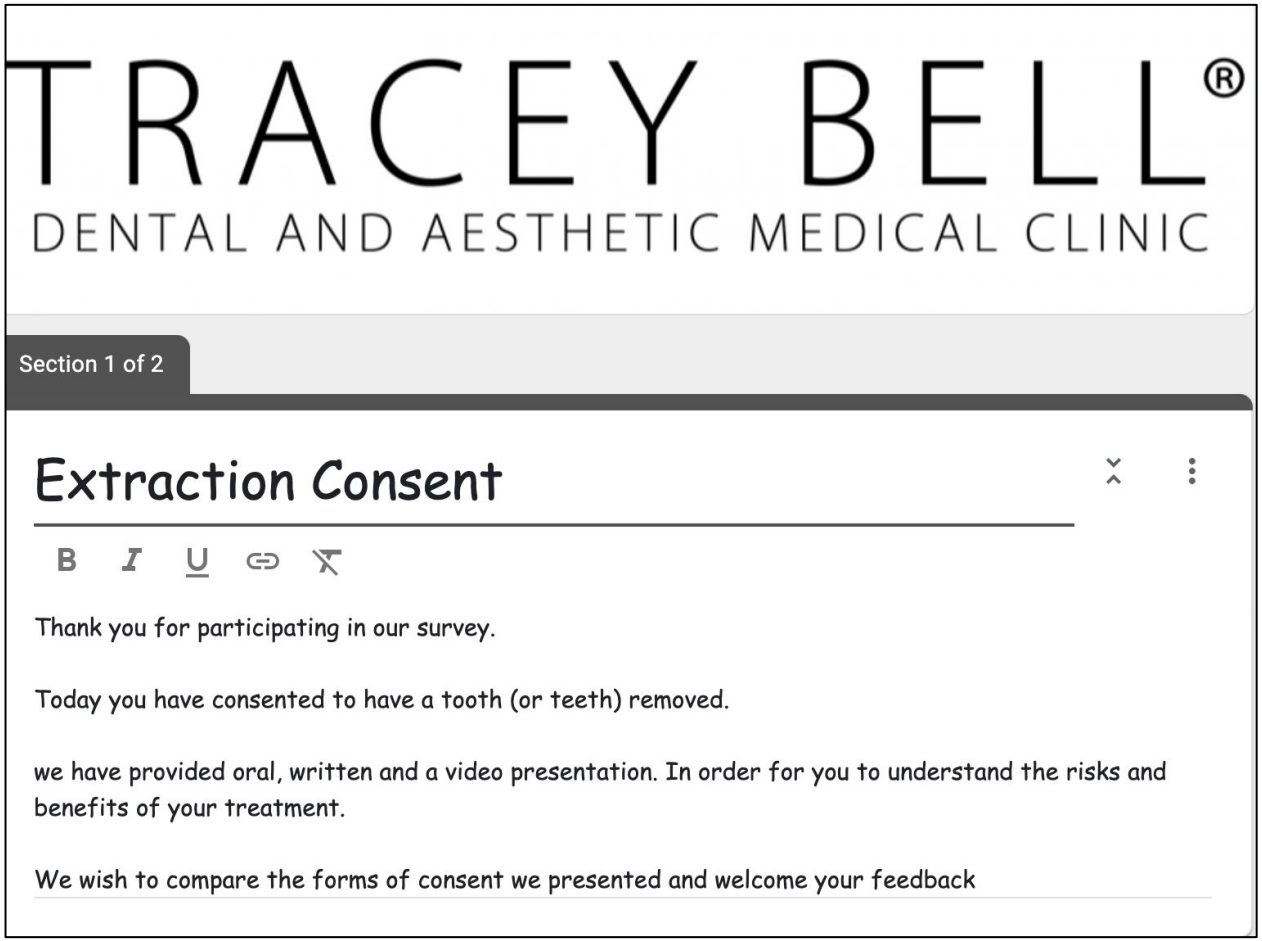
Remember to rest, it is a '*surgical procedure*'

Any questions, queries or concerns - just ask!

We will advise on post operative pain management if required

Questionnaire

50 Extractions
Standardised
All immediate extractions
All followed same pathway
Consent
Oral /Written
Video
Extraction
Survey
Collation of Data



Conclusion

We asked the patients what form of Information they preferred

Video Information was useful in Obtaining Consent

54% Felt that the Combination of all 3 methods was the Best

Video was “as good “ as Oral Explanation in Consent - but used alone limitation in the dentist/patient relationship (adverse impact if used alone)

No opportunity to ask questions / literacy

Built rapport - some of the feedback

Patients liked the Video -or they told us they did

Feasible

Acceptable

Implemented it as part of clinical practice

Further Research required

Loom in practice

Patient care

Reflection on consent

Digital technology

Patient information

Change in the industry

QUESTIONS