



Dr. March recommends endodontic treatment for your tooth. To understand, endodontics, it helps first to know something about the nonsurgical endodontic procedure, or "root canal." A root canal is necessary when the soft inner tissue, or "pulp," of the tooth becomes inflamed or infected. This may happen as a result of deep decay, repeated dental procedures on the tooth, or a blow to the tooth. Endodontic treatment removes the damaged pulp. Then the tooth's canal are cleaned and filled to help preserve the tooth. A crown or filling will be placed 2-3 weeks after this procedure.

For the first few days after the treatment, your tooth may feel sensitive, especially if there was pain or infection before the procedure. This discomfort can be relieved with over-the-counter medications. Follow Dr. March's instructions carefully. Your tooth may continue to feel slightly different from your other teeth for some time after your endodontic treatment is completed. However, if you have severe pain or pressure or pain that lasts more than a few days, call Dr. March.

I have been given the opportunity to ask questions about this procedure and am fully satisfied with the answers that I received.

Patient Signature _____ Date _____

Witness _____