

## Male Circumcision

Male circumcision is an elective surgical procedure to remove the foreskin from the penis. Health benefits of circumcision are debated, but may include fewer urinary tract infections during the 1<sup>st</sup> year of life and decreased risk for penile cancers. Most people who choose circumcision do so for cultural or religious reasons. All newborns are administered a local anesthetic at the base of the penis prior to circumcision.

Circumcision risks include bleeding, infection, poor cosmetic result and damage to the glans (tip) of the penis.

Although precautions will be taken to protect your child's safety, no surgery is without risk.

By signing below, I confirm that I have spoken with my doctor regarding the risks of circumcision as well as the alternatives available to me. In addition, I have read and accept the risks described above and consent to the procedure listed.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Procedure Circumcision \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor \_\_\_\_\_