

ENT Associates
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MYRINGOTOMY WITH TUBES

Myringotomy with or without tympanostomy tube insertion is the most commonly performed ear operation. It is extremely safe and effective. Complications are minor, usually in the form of infection which may be treated with antibiotics. The tube usually remains in place for several months, although it may be rejected sooner or remain in place for years. Occasionally the ear drum fails to heal after tubes have been removed and the resulting perforation may require surgical repair. In some cases, especially if there is a family history of chronic ear diseases, tympanostomy tubes may need to be replaced. Hearing improvement is usually immediate after fluid has been removed from the ear. Failure to improve hearing indicates a second problem in the middle or inner ear.

I have read, understand and have considered the risks and complications of this surgery and accept them. I further understand that if I need to cancel this procedure two consecutive times, this office reserves the right to refuse any future requests for scheduling.

Patient Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____