

Dental Clearance for TAVR Procedure

What is a dental clearance?

Before your procedure, we need to verify you have had a dental examination with the past 6 months and don't have any active infections.

If you **have not** had a dental examination, you will **need to be seen** by a dentist for a dental clearance exam. During a dental clearance exam your dentist must check for, and take care of, any present or potential sources of infection, including gum disease, severe tooth decay, tooth abscess or any soreness in your mouth. Any possible sources of infection need to be addressed and treated before you can have your procedure.

Special instructions:

Schedule an appointment for a cleaning and dental evaluation if you have not had a dental exam within the last 6 months. We ask that you **schedule this** appointment **as soon as possible**.

If you have not been seen by a dentist or need a referral from Michigan Medicine, please call our office at (734) 647-7321, press prompt 4.

What is needed before my procedure?

We provide you with a clearance form to give to your dentist. Your dentist will need to fill this out to show you are free from infection and cleared to move forward with your procedure.

Your dentist can fax this form to our office at (734) 232-0428 or you can return it to our office personally.

Who should I contact if I have any questions about dental clearance before my TAVR procedure?

If you have any questions, contact us at: (734) 647-7321, press prompt 4

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