



Center for Pectus Excavatum and Carinatum

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Pectus Excavatum Dental Letter

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To Whom It May Concern,

Pectus excavatum is a chest wall abnormality when the sternum and chest is sunken into the chest causing a depression or caved in appearance. Surgery was completed with a minimally invasive repair of pectus excavatum (chest wall abnormality) at Children's Mercy Hospital. This surgery involves the placement of a stainless-steel bar under the sternum that extends across the chest from the left side to the right side and will stay in place for approximately 3 years until it is surgically removed.

There is no need for prophylactic antibiotics prior to dental procedures due to this repair.

If there are any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Surgery Clinic – Pectus Center