

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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I understand that, under the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 (“HIPAA”), I have certain rights to privacy regarding my protected health information. I understand that this information can and will be used to:

- Conduct, plan and direct my treatment and follow-up among the multiple healthcare providers who may be involved in that treatment directly and indirectly.
- Obtain payment from third-party payers.
- Conduct normal healthcare operations such as quality assessments and physician certifications.

HIPAA Security Technical Safeguards provide a framework to help protect my electronic health information and technology assets that this office uses, discloses, transmits or stores. This information is safely secured and encrypted in our electronic environment. If I choose to receive information electronically, I understand that once the information is transmitted, it is my responsibility to keep it safe and secure.

I acknowledge that I have received your Notice of Privacy Practices containing a more complete description of the uses and disclosures of my health information. I understand that this organization has the right to change its Notice of Privacy Practices from time to time and that I may contact this organization at any time at the address above to obtain a current copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices.

I understand that I may request in writing that you will restrict how my private information is used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment or healthcare options. I also understand you are not required to agree to my requested restrictions, but if you do agree then you are bound to abide by such restrictions.

Patient Name _____

Relationship to Patient _____

Signature _____

Date _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

I attempted to obtain the patient’s signature in acknowledgement on this Notice of Privacy Practices, but was unable to do so as documented below:

Date: _____ **Initials** _____ **Reason:** _____