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## PATIENT HIPAA CONSENT FORM

The Department of Health and Human Services has established a "Privacy Rule" to help insure that personal health care information is protected for privacy. The Privacy Rule was also created to provide a standard for certain health care providers to obtain their patients' consent for uses and disclosure of health information about the patient to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations.

As our patient we want you to know that we respect the privacy of your personal medical records and we will do all that we can to secure and protect that privacy. We strive to always take reasonable precautions to protect your privacy. When it is appropriate and necessary we provide the minimum necessary information to only those we feel are in need of your health care information and information about treatment, payment, or health care operations in order to provide health care that is in your best interest.

We also want you to know that we support your full access to your personal medical records. We may have indirect treatment relationships with you (such as laboratories that interact only with physicians and not patients), and may have to disclose personal health information for purposes of treatment, payment, or health care operation. These entities are most often required to obtain patient consent.

You may refuse to consent to the use or disclosure of your personal health information, but this must be in writing. Under this law we have the right to refuse to treat you should you choose to refuse to disclose your Personal Health Information (PHI). If you choose to give consent in this document, you may at some future time request to refuse to disclose all or part of your PHI. You may not revoke actions that have already been taken which relied on this or a previously signed consent.

If you have any objections to this form, please ask to speak with our HIPAA Compliance Officer. You have the right to review our privacy notice, to request restrictions and revoke consent in writing after you have reviewed our privacy notice.

Print Name

Signature

Date