



## PATIENT HIPPA ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Our notice of privacy practices provides information about how we may use and disclose protected health information about you. You have the right to receive and review our HIPPA privacy policy before signing this acknowledgment. As provided in our HIPPA privacy policy, the terms of our HIPPA privacy policy may change. If we change our HIPPA privacy policy, you may obtain a revised copy.

By signing this form, you acknowledge that you have been informed of our uses and disclosures of protected health information about you for all of the purposes set out in our HIPPA privacy policy. By signing this form, you also acknowledge that a copy of our HIPPA privacy policy has been provided to you, that you understand the contents of our HIPPA privacy policy and how it applies to you, and that all of your questions regarding the contents of our HIPPA privacy policy have been answered.

## TEXT AND E-MAIL MESSAGES

Federal law prohibits this establishment from sending you text or email which are unencrypted or "unsecured." However, many patients find it convenient to communicate with us by traditional text and or email. Those modes of communication are generally not considered "secure." Some patients appreciate the tradeoff between ease of use/convenience and security. We want to accommodate your preferences. If you would like to communicate with us by "unsecured" text or email, please confirm below by providing your authorization. We will keep your preferences in form with no current expiration date until we learn otherwise. Obviously you can change your mind at any point down the road. Just let us know in writing so we can stay updated with your preference(s). Obviously if messages are sent through such channels, they may no longer be protected by HIPPA. Finally, whether or not you decide to use email or text messaging, your choice will have no impact on our decision to treat you. We are here for you.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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