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Dear \_\_\_\_\_

Welcome to Nephrology Associates, P.C. We are honored you have chosen to partner with us in your care.

Your appointment is scheduled with:

Dr. \_\_\_\_\_

at our \_\_\_\_\_ office

on \_\_\_\_\_.

Please complete the forms in this packet and bring them with you on your appointment day. Have your **list of medications filled out completely**, including the strength and how often you take the medicine. If for any reason you are unable to complete the items listed above, please call our office so that we may assist you.

**If you are covered by an insurance carrier that requires a referral, please contact your primary care physician prior to your visit. You cannot see the physician without a referral from your primary care physician.**

After your initial new patient visit, your physician may occasionally request that you see our Certified Registered Nurse Practitioners. Please notify our staff if your insurance does not cover physician extenders.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE INSURANCE, OR HAVE A COPAY, payment is due at time of your visit. For your convenience we accept cash, check, American Express, Visa, Discover, or MasterCard.

**THERE IS ONE PHONE NUMBER FOR ALL LOCATIONS AND PHYSICIANS, 205-226-5900 OR TOLL FREE 1-800-489-9031.**

Nephrology Associates, P.C. complies with applicable Federal Civil Rights Laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Again, thank you for choosing Nephrology Associates, P.C. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Terry Black  
Practice Administrator

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

### PATIENT INFORMATION

Patient Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Language: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Retired: \_\_\_\_\_ Employed: \_\_\_\_\_ Full time student: \_\_\_\_\_ Part time student: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security: \_\_\_\_\_ Drivers License: \_\_\_\_\_

Person responsible for account: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security: \_\_\_\_\_ Drivers License: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Person to notify in case of emergency: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Outside Your Home) (Other Than Your Number)

#### IF YOU ARE INSURED BY MEDICARE PLEASE SIGN THE FOLLOWING: EXTENDED PATIENT SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION

I request that payment of authorized Medicare benefits be made on my behalf to Nephrology Associates, P.C. for any services or items furnished me by that physician. I authorize any holder of medical information about me to release any information needed to determine their benefits payable for related services.

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Signature of beneficiary or person signing for beneficiary Date signed

**IF YOU ARE INSURED BY AN INSURANCE COMPANY REQUIRING A REFERRAL - YOU MUST CONTACT YOUR PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO YOUR APPOINTMENT.**

### INSURANCE POLICY INFORMATION

Insurance Company (Primary): \_\_\_\_\_

Policy holder's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract or group: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of patient to policy holder: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company (Secondary): \_\_\_\_\_

Policy holder's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract or group: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of patient to policy holder: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSENT FOR TREATMENT:** - I consent to necessary treatment, including drugs, medicine, performance of operations and conduct of X-ray, or other studies that may be used by the attending physician, his nurse or staff.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION** - I authorize Nephrology Associates, P.C. to furnish any medical information requested by insurance companies with whom I have coverage, any public agency which may be assisting in payment of my care, or my employer who is providing payment of my medical bills due to an on the job injury.

**ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS** - I hereby authorize payment directly to Nephrology Associates, P.C. of benefits otherwise payable to me including major medical insurance and payment of surgical or medical benefits, but not to exceed the Nephrology Associates, P.C. charges for these services. I understand that I am financially responsible to Nephrology Associates, P.C. for charges not covered by this assignment. I authorize the refund of overpaid insurance benefits where my coverages are subject to coordination of benefits.

**GUARANTEE OF ACCOUNT** - For services furnished by Nephrology Associates, P.C. I hereby guarantee the payment of all accounts for services rendered. For payment of said accounts for services I hereby waive all claims of exemption under the State of Alabama and agree to pay, if necessary, all costs of collection, including attorney's fee.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE COMPLETED BY BENEFICIARY OR AGENT - Directions For Payment of Benefits And Release of Medical Information**

STATEMENT FOR PAYMENT OF MEDICARE BENEFITS  <hr style="width: 100%;"/> STATEMENT FOR PAYMENT OF MEDIGAP BENEFITS	<p><i>I request that payment of authorized Medicare benefits be made either to me or on my behalf to</i>                  Dr. _____ or to _____ (the                  Supplier) for any services or items furnished to me by the physician or supplier. I authorize any holder of medical                  information about me to release to Health Care Financing Administration and its agents any information needed                  to determine these benefits or the benefits payable for related services.</p> <p><i>I request that payment of authorized MEDIGAP benefits be made either to me or on my behalf to</i>                  _____ for any services furnished to me by the physician/supplier.                  I authorize any holder of medical information about me to release to (name of MEDIGAP Insurer)                  _____ for any information needed to determine these benefits or the                  benefits payable for related services.</p> <p>_____  <i>Signature of Beneficiary or person signing for Beneficiary</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>Date Signed</i></span></p>
Address of Person Signing for Beneficiary (Street, City, State, Zip Code)	Relationship of Agent to Beneficiary
Reason Beneficiary is Unable to Sign	



## PFSH/ROS DATA WIZARD FORM

**Name:**

*(Last, First, M.I.)*

M  F

**DOB:**

### PAST MEDICAL HISTORY – COMMON DISEASES

**Do you have a personal history of any of the following?**

<b>Kidney Disease</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> CKD Stage: 1 2 3 4 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Transplant <input type="checkbox"/> Cadaveric <input type="checkbox"/> Living - Related <input type="checkbox"/> Living - Unrelated	<input type="checkbox"/> Dialysis <input type="checkbox"/> HD <input type="checkbox"/> PD <input type="checkbox"/> Polycystic Kidney Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Acute Kidney Injury <input type="checkbox"/> Glomerulonephritis
<b>Diabetes</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Type 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Type 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Type Unknown
<b>High Blood Pressure</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Essential <input type="checkbox"/> Renovascular	<input type="checkbox"/> White Coat Hypertension <input type="checkbox"/> Conn's Syndrome
<b>Ischemic Heart Disease</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Heart attack <input type="checkbox"/> Angina <input type="checkbox"/> Angioplasty	<input type="checkbox"/> Coronary Stent <input type="checkbox"/> CABG (Coronary Artery Bypass Graft)
<b>Cancer</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Lung <input type="checkbox"/> Breast <input type="checkbox"/> Prostate (male) <input type="checkbox"/> Colon <input type="checkbox"/> Melanoma <input type="checkbox"/> Bladder	<input type="checkbox"/> Lymphoma <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid <input type="checkbox"/> Leukemia <input type="checkbox"/> Endometrial (female) <input type="checkbox"/> Pancreatic
<b>Stroke</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Stroke	
<b>Gout</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Gout	

### PAST MEDICAL HISTORY – ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

**Do you have a personal history of any of the following?**

<b>EENT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Blindness <input type="checkbox"/> Cataracts	<input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Problems <input type="checkbox"/> Glaucoma
<b>Cardiovascular</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Atrial Fibrillation <input type="checkbox"/> Pacemaker <input type="checkbox"/> High Cholesterol	<input type="checkbox"/> AICD (Cardiac Defibrillator) <input type="checkbox"/> Valvular Heart Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Congestive Heart Failure <input type="checkbox"/> Mitral Valve Prolapse
<b>Respiratory</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> COPD <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic Bronchitis <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma <input type="checkbox"/> Emphysema	<input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia <input type="checkbox"/> Tuberculosis <input type="checkbox"/> Sleep Apnea

<b>Gastrointestinal</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> GERD (Gastric Reflux) <input type="checkbox"/> Stomach/Bowel Ulcers <input type="checkbox"/> Gall Bladder Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Inflammatory Bowel Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Irritable Bowel Syndrome <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten Intolerance <input type="checkbox"/> Lactose Intolerance
<b>Genitourinary</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Enlarged Prostate(male) <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney Stones	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequent UTIs (Urinary Tract Infections)
<b>OB History</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Preeclampsia (female) <input type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy Induced Hypertension (female)	<input type="checkbox"/> Gestational Diabetes (female) <input type="checkbox"/> History of Complicated Pregnancy (female)
<b>Musculoskeletal</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Osteoarthritis	<input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis
<b>Neurological</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Sclerosis <input type="checkbox"/> Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/> Parkinson's <input type="checkbox"/> Dementia
<b>Psychiatric</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Depression	<input type="checkbox"/> Anxiety Disorder
<b>Endocrine</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Hypothyroidism <input type="checkbox"/> Hyperparathyroidism	<input type="checkbox"/> Hyperthyroidism <input type="checkbox"/> Adrenal Insufficiency
<b>Hematology</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Anemia <input type="checkbox"/> Sickle Cell Disease	<input type="checkbox"/> Sickle Cell Trait <input type="checkbox"/> Blood Transfusion <input type="checkbox"/> Thalassemia
<b>Immuno/Allergy</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> HIV <input type="checkbox"/> AIDS	<input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatoid Arthritis <input type="checkbox"/> Lupus

### PAST MEDICAL HISTORY – SURGERY HISTORY

**Have any of the following surgeries been performed on you?**

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appendectomy           | <input type="checkbox"/> Hip Replacement                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Renal Transplant  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CABG                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Bilateral | <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroidectomy     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carotid Endarterectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Right                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tonsillectomy     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cataract Surgery       | <input type="checkbox"/> Knee Replacement                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Valve Replacement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> D & C (female)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Bilateral | <input type="checkbox"/> AV Fistula        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gall Bladder Removal   | <input type="checkbox"/> Right                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> AV Graft          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gastric Bypass         | <input type="checkbox"/> Hysterectomy (female)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> PD Catheter       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hemorrhoidectomy       | <input type="checkbox"/> Prostatectomy (male)                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hernia Repair          | <input type="checkbox"/> Nephrectomy                             |  |

**Other Health Problems Not Listed Above:**

## FAMILY HISTORY – ILLNESSES

**Do the following family members have any of the following medical conditions?**

<b>Kidney Disease</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child
<b>Diabetes</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child
<b>High Blood Pressure</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child
<b>Ischemic Heart Disease</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child
<b>Cancer</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child
<b>Stroke</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child
<b>Gout</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child
<b>ADPKD</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child
<b>Dementia</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Sibling
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Child

## FAMILY HISTORY – STATUS

<b>Father</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Living	<input type="checkbox"/> Deceased <input type="checkbox"/> Age at Death: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cause of Death: _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
<b>Mother</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Living	<input type="checkbox"/> Deceased <input type="checkbox"/> Age at Death: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cause of Death: _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	

**Other Family History Not Listed Above:**

## SOCIAL HISTORY – GENERAL

<b>Current Marital Status</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced
<b>Living Arrangement</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Alone <input type="checkbox"/> Family Member <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse	<input type="checkbox"/> In Home Caregiver <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Other <input type="checkbox"/> Assisted Living Facility
<b>Occupation</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Retired <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed <input type="checkbox"/> Employed <input type="checkbox"/> Full - time <input type="checkbox"/> Part - time <input type="checkbox"/> Student  List your Current or Former Occupation: _____	
<b>Functional/ Cognitive</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No Impairment <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Loss <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Mobility	<input type="checkbox"/> Memory Deficit <input type="checkbox"/> Poor Vision or Blindness <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation Challenges
<b>Advanced Care Planning</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes I have a Living Will	<input type="checkbox"/> No I do not have a Living Will

## SOCIAL HISTORY – HABITS

<b>Tobacco Use</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Current or Former User <input type="checkbox"/> Cigarettes <input type="checkbox"/> Chewing Tobacco <input type="checkbox"/> Pipes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <del>Snuff</del> <input type="checkbox"/> Cigars	<input type="checkbox"/> Never Used <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
	If a former user, what year did you quit?	

	<p><b>Complete the following section if you are a current or former cigarette user:</b></p> <p>How often do you currently smoke or how often did you smoke before you quit?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Every Day   <input type="checkbox"/> Some Days   <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown</p> <p>How many packs per day do you currently smoke or how many packs per day did you smoke before you quit?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>How many total years have you used cigarettes?</p> <p>_____</p>
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<p><b>Alcohol Use</b></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or Former User   <input type="checkbox"/> Never Used</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Occasional/Social</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1-2 per Day</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 or more per Day</p> <p>If a former user, what year did you quit?</p> <p>_____</p>
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<p><b>Recreational Drug Use</b></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or Former User</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marijuana</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Amphetamines</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> LSD</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Heroin</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ecstasy</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Never Used</p> <p>If a former user, what year did you quit?</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Opium</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cocaine</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Barbiturates</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p>
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**Other Social History Not Listed Above:**

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## REVIEW OF SYSTEMS

<b>Constitutional</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Fever <input type="checkbox"/> Weight Gain <input type="checkbox"/> Weight Loss	<input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue <input type="checkbox"/> Chills <input type="checkbox"/> Weakness
<b>HEENT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Vision Impaired <input type="checkbox"/> Eye Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Redness <input type="checkbox"/> Color Blindness <input type="checkbox"/> Double Vision <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Loss <input type="checkbox"/> Ear Pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Sinus Problems <input type="checkbox"/> Sore Throat <input type="checkbox"/> Nose Bleeds <input type="checkbox"/> Headache <input type="checkbox"/> Hoarseness <input type="checkbox"/> Tinnitus <input type="checkbox"/> Vertigo
<b>Respiratory</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of Breath <input type="checkbox"/> At Rest <input type="checkbox"/> With Activity <input type="checkbox"/> Pain with Breathing	<input type="checkbox"/> Cough <input type="checkbox"/> Wheezing <input type="checkbox"/> Blood in Sputum <input type="checkbox"/> Night Sweats
<b>Cardiovascular</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Palpitations <input type="checkbox"/> Claudication	<input type="checkbox"/> Orthopnea <input type="checkbox"/> Edema <input type="checkbox"/> PND (Paroxysmal Nocturnal Dyspnea)
<b>Gastrointestinal</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Abdominal Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea <input type="checkbox"/> Heartburn <input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/> Constipation <input type="checkbox"/> Anorexia <input type="checkbox"/> Trouble Swallowing <input type="checkbox"/> Indigestion
<b>Genitourinary</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Urinary Urgency <input type="checkbox"/> Urinary Burning or Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Blood in Urine <input type="checkbox"/> Urinary Frequency	<input type="checkbox"/> Urinary Hesitancy <input type="checkbox"/> Foamy Urine <input type="checkbox"/> Incontinence <input type="checkbox"/> Nocturia
<b>Musculoskeletal</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Back Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Neck Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Arm Weakness <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Leg Weakness <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Both
<b>Skin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Rash <input type="checkbox"/> Itching <input type="checkbox"/> Scaling	<input type="checkbox"/> Dryness <input type="checkbox"/> Color Change

<b>Neurological</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Numbness <input type="checkbox"/> Tremors <input type="checkbox"/> Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/> Tingling <input type="checkbox"/> Fainting
<b>Psychiatric</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Depression <input type="checkbox"/> Insomnia	<input type="checkbox"/> Anxiety
<b>Endocrine</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Heat Intolerance <input type="checkbox"/> Cold Intolerance	<input type="checkbox"/> Excessive Thirst <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive Urination
<b>Hematology</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding Gums	<input type="checkbox"/> Easy Bruising
<b>Immuno/Allergy</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal Allergies	<input type="checkbox"/> Hives

**Other Review of Systems Not Listed Above:**

**NEPHROLOGY ASSOCIATES, P.C.**

**PATIENT CONTACT INFORMATION SHEET**

PATIENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PATIENT SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Any physician, staff, employee or representative of Nephrology Associates, P.C. has my permission to discuss my account and medical conditions which may include symptoms, treatments, diagnosis, test results, medications or any other type of protected health information with the following persons in order to facilitate and coordinate my care, treatment and payment.

Name	Relationship	Phone Number

I understand that authorizing the release of my information to the above individual(s) is voluntary and does not affect my access to treatment. I can refuse to sign this form. I can revoke it by writing to Nephrology Associates, P. C. or by completing a new form at any time. This authorization will remain in effect until I change or revoke it. I understand that if information is shared with the above individuals it may be subject to redisclosure by the individual(s).

PATIENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ COPY OF PRIVACY PRACTICE GIVEN TO PATIENT

**NEPHROLOGY ASSOCIATES, P.C.'S NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES**

**THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION.  
PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.**

**HOW WE MAY USE AND DISCLOSE MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU.** The following categories describe different ways that we use and disclose medical information. For each category of uses or disclosures, we will elaborate on the meaning and provide more specific examples, if you request. Not every use or disclosure in a category will be listed. However, all of the ways we are permitted to use and disclose information will fall within one of the categories. We must obtain your authorization before the use and disclosure of any psychotherapy notes, uses and disclosures of PHI for marketing purposes, and disclosure that constitute a sale of PHI. Uses and disclosures not described in this Notice of Privacy Practices will be made only with authorization from the individual.

**For Payment.** We may use and disclose medical information about you so that the treatment and services you receive at the Practice may be billed to and payment may be collected from you, an insurance company or a third party. For example: we may disclose your record to an insurance company, so that we can get paid for treating you.

**For Treatment.** We may use medical information about you to provide you with medical treatment or services. We may disclose medical information about you to doctors, nurses, technicians, medical students, or other personnel who are involved in taking care of you at the Practice or the hospital. For example, we may disclose medical information about you to people outside the Practice who may be involved in your medical care, such as family members, clergy or other persons that are part of your care.

**For Health Care Operations.** We may use and disclose medical information about you for health care operations. These uses and disclosures are necessary to run the Practice and ensure that all of our patients receive quality care. We may also disclose information to doctors, nurses, technicians, medical students, and other Practice personnel for review and learning purposes. For example, we may review your record to assist our quality improvement efforts. **WHO WILL FOLLOW THIS NOTICE.** This notice describes our Practice's policies and procedures and that of any health care professional authorized to enter information into your medical chart, any member of a volunteer group which we allow to help you, as well as all employees, staff and other Practice personnel.

**POLICY REGARDING THE PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION.** We create a record of the care and services you receive at the Practice. We need this record in order to provide you with quality care and to comply with certain legal requirements. This notice applies to all of the records of your care generated by the Practice, whether made by Practice personnel or by your personal doctor. The law requires us to: make sure that medical information that identifies you is kept private; give you this notice of our legal duties and privacy practices with respect to medical information about you; and to follow the terms of the notice that is currently in effect. Other ways we may use or disclose your protected healthcare information include: appointment reminders; as required by law; for health-related benefits and services; to individuals involved in your care or payment for your care; research; to avert a serious threat to health or safety; and for treatment alternatives. Other uses and disclosures of your personal information could include disclosure to, or for: coroners, medical examiners and funeral directors; health oversight activities; law enforcement; lawsuits and disputes; military and veterans; national security and intelligence activities; organ and tissue donation; public health risks; and worker's compensation.

**NOTICE OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS**

You have the following rights regarding medical information we maintain about you:

**Right to a Paper Copy of this Notice.** You have the right to a paper copy of this notice. You may ask us to give you a copy of this notice at any time.

**Right to Inspect and Copy.** You have the right to inspect and copy medical information that may be used to make decisions about your care. We may deny your request to inspect and copy in certain very limited circumstances.

**Right to Amend.** If you feel that medical information we have about you is incorrect or incomplete, you may ask us to amend the information. You have the right to request an amendment for as long as the information is kept by, or for, the Practice. To request an amendment, your request must be made in writing and submitted to the Privacy Officer and you must provide a reason that supports your request. We may deny your request for an amendment.

**Right to Request Restrictions.** You have the right to request a restriction or limitation on the medical information we use or disclose about you for treatment, payment or health care operations. You also have the right to request a limit on the medical information we disclose about you to someone who is involved in your care or the payment for your care, like a family member or friend. **We are not required to agree to your request.** If we do agree, we will comply with your request unless the information is needed to provide you emergency treatment. To request restrictions, you must make your request in writing to the Privacy Officer.

**Right to Request Removal from Fundraising Communications.** You have the right to opt out of receiving fundraising communications from the Practice.

**Right to Restrict Disclosures to Health Plan.** You have the right to restrict disclosures of PHI to a health plan if the disclosure is for payment of health care operations and pertains to a health care item or service for which the individual has paid out of pocket in full.

**Right to Request Confidential Communications.** You have the right to request that we communicate with you about medical matters in a certain way or at a certain location. You must make your request in writing and you must specify how or where you wish to be contacted.

**Right to an Accounting of Disclosures.** You have the right to request an "accounting of disclosures." This is a list of the disclosures we made of medical information about you. To request this list or accounting of disclosures, you must submit your request in writing to the Privacy Officer. **CHANGES TO THIS NOTICE.** We reserve the right to change this notice. We will post a copy of the current notice in the Practice's waiting room. **COMPLAINTS.** If you believe your privacy rights have been violated, you may file a complaint with the Practice or with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. To file a complaint with the Practice, contact the Privacy Officer at (205)226-5925, 35 West Lakeshore Drive, Suite 200, Homewood, AL 35209. All complaints must be submitted in writing. **You will not be penalized for filing a complaint.** **OTHER USES OF MEDICAL INFORMATION.** Other uses and disclosures of medical information not covered by this notice or the laws that apply to use will be made only with your written authorization. If you provide us permission to use or disclose medical information about you, you may revoke that permission, in writing, at any time.

If you have any questions about this notice or would like to receive a more detailed explanation, please contact our Privacy Officer.

**I acknowledge by signing below that I have received the Notice of Privacy Practices and Notice of Individual Rights.**

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Patient or Patient's Personal Representative

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Date