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NEW HIPAA PRIVACY REGULATIONS

Federal law, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, authorized the Dept. of Health and Human Services to adopt new rules to protect patient privacy.

It is, however understood that within the realm of doing business and for general patient care purposes, your personal information will be necessary and used in the following context:

- Patient registration
- Procure medical records from former physicians
- Communication with colleagues for opinions/care
- Insurance: verifications, billing (paper and wire), fax transmissions, insurance company follow-up and interaction with billing services related to patient care
- Hospital workers, nurses, aides, and medical records dept.
- Emergency officials, paramedics, fire personnel, emergency room physicians/nurses/technicians, personal religious designate
- Our office staff
- Pharmacists, drug program personnel/workers
- Completion of disability forms
- Computer and electronically stored information

My signature below authorizes the release of any necessary information listed above.

Print Name

Signature of Patient/Guardian

Date