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Patient Consent / HIPAA

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 may be used to:

- Conduct, plan, and direct my treatment and follow-up care 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.

I have been informed by you of your *Notice of Privacy Practices* containing a more complete description of the uses and disclosures of my health information. I have been given the right to review such *Notice of Privacy Practices* prior to signing this consent, physically or electronically. 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 listed above to obtain a current copy of the *Notice of Privacy Practices*.

I understand that I may request in writing that you restrict how my private information is used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations. I further 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.

I also understand that I may revoke this consent in writing at any time, except to the extent that you have taken action relying on this consent.