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AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF IDENTIFYING HEALTH INFORMATION

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 information can and will be used to:

- 1. Conduct, plan and direct my treatment and follow-up among the multiple healthcare providers who may be involved in that treatment directly and indirectly.
- 2. Obtain payment from third-party payers.
- 3. Conduct normal healthcare operations such as quality assessments and physician certifications.
- 4. Send postcards and leave messages on answering machines, send e-mails or texts regarding appointments and/or a need for you to call the office.

I have received, read and understand your *Notice of Privacy Practices* containing a more complete description of the uses and disclosures of my health information. 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 above to obtain a current copy of the *Notice of Private 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 also 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.