

**NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES
PATIENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

I am aware that this office abides by HIPPA Regulations and that I can obtain a plain-language copy from the front desk, if I desire. The Notice provides in detail the uses and disclosures of my protected health information that may be made by this practice, my individual rights and the practice's legal duties with respect to my protected health information. The Notice includes:

- A statement that this practice is required by law to maintain the privacy of protected health information.
- A statement that this practice is required to abide by the terms of the notice currently in effect.
- Types of uses and disclosures that this practice is permitted to make for each of the following purposes: treatment, payment, and health care operations.
- A description of each of the other purposes for which this practice is permitted or required to use or disclose protected health information without my written consent or authorization, e.g., nonpayment of bill.
- A description of uses and disclosures that are prohibited or materially limited by law.
- A description of other uses and disclosures that will be made only with my written authorization and my right to revoke such authorization.
- My individual rights with respect to protected health information and a brief description of how I may exercise these rights in relation to:
 - The right to complain to this practice and to the Secretary of HHS if I believe my privacy rights have been violated and that no retaliatory actions will be used against me in the event of such a complaint.
 - The right to request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures of my protected health information and that this practice is not required to agree to a requested restriction.
 - The right to receive confidential communications of protected health information.
 - The right to inspect and copy protected health information.
 - The right to amend protected health information.
 - The right to receive an accounting of disclosures of protected health information.
 - The right to obtain a paper copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices from this practice upon request.

This practice reserves the right to change the terms of its Notice of Privacy Practices and to make new provisions effective for all protected health information that it maintains. I understand that I can obtain this practice's current Notice of Privacy Practices on request.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Please see provider regarding her policy on protection of your chart and confidentiality. In many cases, it goes beyond the HIPPA regulations.