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PATIENT INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I.: _____
Sex: Male Female Date Of Birth: ____/____/19____ Age: _____ Social Security: _____-____-_____
Home Phone: (____) _____-____ Cell Phone: (____) _____-____ Opt In For Text Messages: Yes No
Email: _____@_____ Single Married Widowed Divorced
Language Preference: English Spanish Other _____ Domestic Partner Separated
Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____
Employer: _____ Work Phone: (____) _____-____ Occupation: _____
Employment Status: _____ Are You Here For A Work Related Injury? Yes No Date Injured: ____/____/_____
Primary Care Physician _____ Primary Care Phone (____) _____-_____
Emergency Contact: Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: (____) _____-_____

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INSURANCE INFORMATION

PRIMARY INSURANCE: _____ Name of Insured Person: _____
Relationship to Patient: _____ Social Security # of Insured Person: _____
Date of Birth of Insured Person: _____ Subscriber ID #: _____
Group #: _____ Medical Group: _____
SECONDARY INSURANCE: _____ Name of Insured Person: _____
Relationship to Patient: _____ Social Security # of Insured Person: _____
Date of Birth of Insured Person: _____ Subscriber ID#: _____
Group #: _____ Medical Group: _____

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RESPONSIBLE PARTY FOR PAYMENT

First and Last Name: _____ M.I.: _____ DOB: ____/____/19____
Home Phone #: (____) _____-____ Social Security #: _____-____-_____
Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

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ASSIGNMENT AND RELEASE

I have been provided a copy of Stephen M. Howell, M.D., Privacy Notice and have been provided with a Patient Consent Form for treatment. The financial/credit policy has also been provided to me and I agree to the terms as stated in that policy. I hereby assign to Steven J. Barad, M.D., and or Stephen M. Howell, M.D., all benefits payable under the terms of my insurance policy as listed above. I realize that I am responsible for any balance not payable by my insurance company. I also understand that I will be responsible for any expenses incurred in the collection of outstanding balances that I may have, whether it be from a collection agency or an attorney.

Responsible Party Signature

Relationship

Date

Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/19____ Date: ____/____/20____
Male Female Weight: _____ lbs Height: _____' _____" Pregnant: Yes No
Dominate Hand: Right Left Legal Matter: Yes No

SOCIAL HISTORY:

Occupation: _____
Hobbies: _____
Recreation: _____
Sports: _____
Position Played: _____
Do you dip or chew tobacco? Yes No
How much per day?
Smoker? : Yes No _____ Packs Per Day
Do you drink alcoholic beverages? Yes No
If yes, how many drinks per week? _____

SURGICAL HISTORY: No Previous surgery

Past Surgical History:
Operation: D/M/Y
Anesthetic Complications: Yes No
Describe:
Bleeding Complications: Yes No
Transfusions? Yes No
Have you ever used illegal drugs? Yes No
When: Type:
Frequency:

CURRENT MEDICATIONS:

Not currently taking medication

Name: Dose: Frequency:
1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
6.

Have you ever taken any of the following?

Prednisone: Yes No
Anabolic: Yes No

Have you ever been addicted to the following?

Alcohol: Yes No
Drugs: Yes No

Are you allergic to latex? Yes No

If so what is the allergy?
Allergies to Medications:

No known medication allergies.

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY:

Illnesses:

Injuries:

Please check if you ever had any of the following:

- AIDS, Alcoholism, Anemia, Arthritis, Asthma, Bleeding Disorders, Chemical Dependency, Diabetes, Emphysema, Gastrointestinal Disease, Genitourinary Disease, Hearth Disease, Hepatitis A B C, HIV Positive, Kidney Disease, Liver Disease, Lung Disease, Pacemaker, Blood Clots, High Blood Pressure, Low Blood Pressure, Phlebitis, Recurrent Infections, Syphilis

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I acknowledge that I have received or been offered a copy of Stephen M. Howell, M.D. HIPPA PRIVACY NOTICES & PRACTICES POLICY.

CONSENT FOR TREATMENT:

I acknowledge and understand that in presenting myself for medical care and treatment at the medical practice of Stephen M. Howell, M.D. that I authorize and consent to the administration and performance of any tests, examinations, and treatments which may be ordered by the physician and/or designated staff and carried out by Stephen M. Howell, M.D. I understand that this consent will remain in effect until I choose to revoke it in writing. *Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian in order to obtain medical services.*

FINANCIAL POLICY/ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS:

In consideration of any services rendered to me by Stephen M. Howell, M.D., I hereby authorize and assign any and all reimbursement pertaining to said services to be made on my behalf and paid directly to Stephen M. Howell, M.D. If my insurance benefits are provided to me through Medicare, I hereby authorize and assign any and all reimbursement made under my Medicare plan which pertains to any services provided to me by Stephen M. Howell, M.D. to be paid directly to Stephen M. Howell, M.D.

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION:

I authorize Stephen M. Howell, M.D. to release and disclose any medical information about me that pertains to any and all medical care, testes, treatment, or advice that was rendered to me by physicians and/or staff at Stephen M. Howell, M.D. to my primary care physician, insurance companies, third party payers, authorized agents, claims review organizations, and/or Medicare in order to process a claim and/or payment on my behalf.

PAYMENT AGREEMENT:

I understand that providing a valid and current insurance card prior to services being rendered, Stephen M. Howell, M.D. will file a claim to my insurance company but that does not guarantee payment which ultimately I am responsible for. I hereby accept and assume financial responsibility for any covered or non-covered services rendered to me and will be responsible for any services that are unpaid as a result of not providing Stephen M. Howell, M.D. with a valid referral. If there are any questions, problems, or delays regarding my coverage and or benefits, I understand that it is my responsibility to resolve these issues with my insurance carrier and the billing office administrator. *Deductibles, copayments, and payment for non-covered services will be due at time of service.*

Please sign below and initial the provided boxes above if you have read and acknowledge all of the above:

SIGN: _____ Date _____

Stephen M. Howell, M.D.

HIPPA SUMMARY PRIVACY NOTICE

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.

This Notice of Privacy Practices describes how we may use and disclose your protected health information (PHI) to carry out treatment, payment or healthcare operations (TPO) and for other purposes that are permitted or required by law. It also describes your rights to access and control your protected health information. "Protected health information" is information about you, including demographic information, that may identify you and that relates to your past, present or future physical or mental health or condition and related health care services.

Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information

Your protected health information may be used and disclosed by your physician, our office staff and others outside of our office that are involved in your care and treatment for the purpose of providing health care services to you, to pay your health care bills, to support the operation of the physician's practice, and any other use required by law.

Treatment: We will use and disclose your protected health information to provide, coordinate, or manage your health care and any related services. This includes the coordination or management of your health care with a third party. For example, we would disclose your protected health information, as necessary, to a home health agency that provides care to you. For example, your protected health information may be provided to a physician to whom you have been referred to ensure that the physician has the necessary information to diagnose or treat you.

Payment: Your protected health information will be used, as needed, to obtain payment for your health services. For example, obtaining approval for a hospital stay may require that your relevant protected health information be disclosed to the health plan to obtain approval for the hospital admission.

Healthcare Operations: We may use or disclose, as-needed, your protected health information in order to support the business activities of your physician's practice. These activities include, but are not limited to, quality assessment activities, employee review activities, training of medical students, licensing, and conducting or arranging for other business activities. For example, we may disclose your protected health information to medical school students that see patients at our office. In addition, we may use a sign-in sheet at the registration desk where you will be asked to sign your name and indicate your physician. We may also call you by name in the waiting room when your physician is ready to see you. We may use or disclose your protected health information, as necessary, to contact you, in case of any changes to your appointment.

We may use or disclose your protected health information in the following situations without your authorization. These situations include: as Required By Law, Public Health issues as required by law, Communicable Diseases; Health Oversight: Abuse or Neglect: Food and Drug Administration requirements: Criminal Activity: Military Activity and National Security: Workers' Compensation: inmates: Required Uses and Disclosures: Under the law, we must make disclosures to you and when required by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to investigate or determine our compliance with the requirements of Section 164.500.

Other Permitted and Required Uses and Disclosures Will Be Made Only with Your Consent, Authorization or Opportunity to Object unless required by law.

You may revoke this authorization, at any time, in writing, except to the extent that your physician or the physician's practice has taken an action in reliance on the use or disclosure indicated in the authorization.

Your Rights

Following is a statement of your rights with respect to your protected health information.

You have the right to inspect and copy your protected health information. Under federal law, however, you may not inspect or copy the following records; psychotherapy notes; information compiled in reasonable anticipation of, or use in, a

civil, criminal, or administrative action or proceeding, and protected health information that is subject to law that prohibits access to protected health information.

You have the right to request a restriction of your protected health information. This means you may ask us not to use or disclose any part of your protected health information for the purposes of treatment, payment or healthcare operations. You may also request that any part of your protected health information not be disclosed to family members or friends who may be involved in your care or for notification purposes as described in this Notice of Privacy Practices. Your request must state the specific restriction requested and to whom you want the restriction to apply.

Your physician is not required to agree to a restriction that you may request. If your physician believes it is in your best interest to permit use and disclosure of your protected health information, your protected health information will not be restricted. You then have the right to use another Healthcare Professional.

You have the right to request to receive confidential communications from us by alternative means or at an alternative location. You have the right to obtain a paper copy of this notice from us, upon request, even if you have agreed to accept this notice alternatively i.e. electronically.

You may have the right to have your physician amend your protected health information. If we deny your request for amendment, you have the right to file a statement of disagreement with us and we may prepare a rebuttal to your statement and will provide you with a copy of any such rebuttal.

You have the right to receive an accounting of certain disclosures we have made, if any, of your protected health information.

We reserve the right to change the terms of this notice and will inform you by mail of any changes. You then have the right to object or withdraw as provided in this notice.

Complaints

You may complain to us or to the Secretary of Health and Human Services if you believe your privacy rights have been violated by us. You may file a complaint with us by notifying our privacy contact of your complaint. **We will not retaliate against you for filing a complaint.**

This notice was published and becomes effective on/or before **April 14, 2003.**

We are required by law to maintain the privacy of, and provide individuals with, this notice of our legal duties and privacy practices with respect to protected health information. If you have any objections to this form, please ask to speak with our HIPAA Compliance Officer in person or by phone at our Main Phone Number.

Stephen M. Howell, M.D.

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FINANCIAL POLICY

In order to avoid any misunderstanding between our patients and the office, we have adopted the following financial policy. If you have any questions please discuss them with our patient billing representatives. We are dedicated to providing the best possible care to you and regard your complete understanding of our financial policies as an essential element of your care and treatment.

- Payment is due at the time of service unless other arrangements have been made in advance. For your convenience, we accept cash, check, American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa.
- Your insurance is an agreement between you and your insurance company. As a courtesy to you, we will file your insurance claims for you if you assign benefits to the physician. If your insurance company does not pay within a reasonable period, we will look to you for payment. If we later receive a check from your insurer, we will refund any overpayment to you.
- We have made prior arrangements with many health plans to accept an assignment of benefits. If you are covered by one of these plans, we will bill your plan and will only require you to pay the copayment or coinsurance due at the time of service.
- All health plans are not the same and do not cover the same services. In the event your health plan determines a service to be “not covered”; you will be responsible for the complete charge. Payment is due upon receipt of a statement from our office. We highly recommend that you READ YOUR INSURANCE BOOKLET or a copy of the contract your policy falls under to determine your benefits.
- You will be responsible for promptly responding to your insurance company to provide any additional information they may request regarding your treatment, pre-existing conditions, accidents or other insurance coverage. Failure to respond in a timely manner may result in your account becoming due and payable, in full immediately.
- Be prepared to present your insurance card and proof of identity (e.g. driver’s license) at each visit. You will be responsible for providing a change of address, telephone number, e-mail address and/or insurance information any time a change occurs.
- A prepayment of your deductible and coinsurance will be required for your portion of our fees, based on our contract allowable, for scheduled surgical procedures. Any balance remaining, after your health plan pays, is your responsibility, Payment is due upon receipt of a statement from our office.
- We look to the adult accompanying a minor for payment of all services rendered to minor patients.

When you are charged a “global” fee for surgery or office care of a fracture, that fee not only includes the service on the day it is performed, but includes routine followup care as well. The global period is 90 days depending on the procedure and your health plan. X-rays and supplies (such as casting or dressing materials) are not included in the “global” fee and a charge will be made for these items, Services related to complications are not included in the global fee.

PLEASE SIGN AND DATE AS AKNOWLEDGMENT OF POLICY: _____.