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PATIENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONSENT FORM

Effective April 14,2003, the new federal law known as the health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") requires that this office comply with certain rules regarding the maintenance of the privacy of your information that we have collected in the future.

To comply with one of HIPAA's requirements, we are giving you a copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices. This Notice of Privacy Practices contains the information HIPAA requires us to disclose regarding our privacy practices.

Existing Michigan Law requires us (in addition to our attempt to obtain your written acknowledgement, discuss above) to first obtain your written consent prior to disclosing any of your information except for our disclosures in connection with: a defense claim challenging our professional competence; a review entity's functions; a claim for payment of fees; a third party payer's examination of our records, a court order as part of a criminal investigation; an identification of a dead body; a licensure investigation; or a child abuse/neglect investigation.

From time to time it may be necessary for us to make disclosures of your information in connection with your treatment. For example, we may make referral to or consult with another dentist or other health professional, provide a specimen to a laboratory for testing or otherwise make disclosures of your information in connection with providing or coordinating your treatment.

Patient Acknowledgement

Please sign this form below under the heading "Acknowledgement" to acknowledge that you have today received a copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices.

I acknowledge that I have today received a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices.

_____ _____

Patient/Parent Signature Patient/Parent Name (Please Print)

Date _____

For office use only

Patient refused to Sign

The following circumstances prohibited the patient from signing the Acknowledgement:

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An emergency situation prevented the patient from signing the Acknowledgement.

_____ _____

Office Personnel (signature) Office Personnel (please print)

Date _____

Patient Consent

Please sign this form below under the heading "Consent" to consent to our disclosures of your information that we deem necessary in order to provide you with the proper treatment.

I consent to your disclosures of my information, which you deem are necessary in connection with my treatment. I understand that such disclosures may not be of the type listed above.

_____ _____

Patient/Parent Signature Patient/Parent Name (please print)

Date _____

Right to revoke: You will have the right to revoke this consent at any time by giving us written notice of your revocation submitted to the Contact Person listed above. Please understand that revocation of this consent will not affect any action we took in reliance on this consent before we received your revocation and that we may decline to treat you or continue treating you if you revoke this consent.