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Patient Information

Patient Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

SSN: _____ Gender: Female Male Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Check appropriate box: Partner Single Married Divorced Widowed Separated

Phone: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Which of the above numbers is best for appointment reminders? _____ Email address: _____

For messages containing personal healthcare information, I give permission to leave such messages at the following phone number: _____ Signature: _____

Spouse/Partner or parent's name: _____ Phone: _____

Patient's or parent's employer: _____ Occupation: _____

Business Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Person to contact in case of an emergency: _____ Phone: _____

How did you first hear about Dr. Smoots? _____

Responsible Party

Name of person responsible for this account: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

Driver's license #: _____ Birthdate: _____ Business Phone: _____

Employer: _____ Address: _____

Is this person currently a patient at our office? Yes No

Insurance Information

Subscriber name: _____ Relationship to patient: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Insurance company: _____ Phone: _____

What is your deductible? _____ How much have you used? _____

Subscriber ID# _____ Group # _____

Secondary Insurance:

Subscriber name: _____ Relationship to patient: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Insurance Company: _____

Subscriber ID# _____ Group # _____

I authorize release of any information concerning my (or my child's) health/mental health care, advice and treatment provided for the purpose of evaluating and administering claims for insurance benefits. I also hereby authorize payment of insurance benefits otherwise payable to me directly to the doctor.

X _____
Signature of patient or parent if minor

Date: _____

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Treatment Authorization and Financial Agreement

Treatment Authorization: I authorize medical and health care treatment of ____ myself or ____ my minor child named _____ by Elizabeth S. Smoots, M.D. I certify that I am, or my minor child is, here to receive health care and for no other purpose.

Medical Records Release Authorization: I authorize Dr. Smoots to release my medical information to any physician or health practitioner to whom I am being referred for care. I also authorize any physician or health care provider I have seen, to release my medical records to Dr. Smoots.

Claim Management: I understand that it is my responsibility to know my plan benefits. Dr. Smoots may offer some assistance, but given the uncertainty that pervades insurance decisions, cannot be responsible for any information that turns out to be incorrect. Dr. Smoots will respond to insurance requests for information, but will not be obligated to take action on my behalf against an insurance carrier for collecting or negotiating my insurance claim. I understand I may be charged for responding to requests for information.

Notice as to Possible Non-Coverage of Services: I understand that my insurance company may not cover all of the services I may receive in this office. My insurance company may not pay for preventive services, for example, and in some cases may not pay for office visits where the focus of the consultation is on wellness, herbal medicine, or other integrative medicine services. Some of the lab tests that are ordered, particularly those that are used in support of wellness consultations or are kits sent to labs using innovative approaches to diagnostics may also not be reimbursed.

Financial/Insurance Responsibility: I authorize Dr. Smoots to release to my insurance company or companies all and any information necessary to process my claims. I further authorize that payments be made directly to Dr. Smoots.

I understand and agree that I am fully responsible for all charges incurred for all treatment rendered, including procedures and laboratory tests, even if my insurance company determines that any services are non-covered or excluded, or, in their opinion, are unreasonable or not medically necessary. In the case of default of payment, I am responsible for full payment of the balance, interest accrued, and any collection costs and legal fees incurred to collect on this account.

Cancellation Fee: A cancellation fee of \$75 will be charged for missed appointments not canceled with a minimum of 24 hours notice.

Payment Policies: Co-pays must be paid at time of service. There is a \$35 NSF fee on all returned checks. There is a minimum billing fee of 12% APR for account balances due beyond 30 days. Patients will be held responsible for non-payment by their insurance company; accounts unpaid by the insurance company greater than 90 days will be billed to the patient. Outstanding balances greater than 120 days will be turned over to a collection agency unless prior arrangements have been made with Dr. Smoots in writing.

No Guarantees. I am aware that no practice of medicine is an exact science, and acknowledge that there are and can be no guarantees as to accuracy or outcomes of any diagnoses or treatments I receive.

I, the undersigned, have read, understand, and accept the information and conditions specified in this document.

Date: _____

Patient/Guardian

Name Printed

CONFIDENTIAL HEALTH HISTORY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Date: _____

What are the concerns for which you are seeking care? (Primary concern first)

1. _____ Date of onset: _____
2. _____ Date of onset: _____
3. _____ Date of onset: _____
4. _____ Date of onset: _____

When, and for what concern, did you **last receive health care**? _____

Do you have any known **contagious diseases** at this time? Yes No If yes, what? _____

Other Medical Problems (include date of onset):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Prescription and over-the-counter medications you are currently taking (include dosages):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Nutrients, herbs and dietary supplements you are currently taking (include dosages):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Allergies – Drugs:

Allergies – Foods and Other:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Date: _____

Medical Conditions: Check any conditions you've ever had in the past. After the condition, write the date of onset.

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ADD/ADHD | <input type="checkbox"/> Glaucoma | <input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatic fever |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AIDS / HIV | <input type="checkbox"/> Goiter | <input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatoid arthritis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies | <input type="checkbox"/> Gout | <input type="checkbox"/> Sinusitis, last date _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anemia, type _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart attack | <input type="checkbox"/> Sjogrens syndrome |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol/drug problem | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleep apnea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anorexia / bulimia | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart murmur | <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke / TIA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anxiety disorder | <input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis, type _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid problem, type _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis, type _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> High blood pressure | <input type="checkbox"/> TMJ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma | <input type="checkbox"/> Irritable bowel syndrome | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuberculosis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Atrial fibrillation | <input type="checkbox"/> Jaundice | <input type="checkbox"/> Ulcerative colitis / Crohn's dis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bipolar disorder | <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney disorder | <input type="checkbox"/> Ulcers, type _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding disorder | <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney stones | <input type="checkbox"/> Urinary infection, last date _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Back pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Liver disease | Female conditions: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer, type: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Lung disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Endometriosis / uterine fibroid |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cataracts | <input type="checkbox"/> Lupus | <input type="checkbox"/> Ovarian cysts / polycystic ovaries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cholesterol problem | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Pelvic inflammatory disease |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic fatigue syndrome | <input type="checkbox"/> Migraines | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexually transmitted disease |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coronary artery disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Obsessive compulsive dis | <input type="checkbox"/> Vaginitis, last date _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depression, type: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis | Male conditions: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes, type _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Pancreatitis | <input type="checkbox"/> Enlarged prostate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emphysema | <input type="checkbox"/> Panic disorder | <input type="checkbox"/> Prostatitis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Epilepsy / seizure | <input type="checkbox"/> Periodontal disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexually transmitted disease |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Esophageal reflux | <input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia | Other health problems: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fibromyalgia | <input type="checkbox"/> Polio | _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Psoriasis | _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric hospitalization | |

List Hospitalizations, surgeries, x-rays or special studies you have had:

Year	Hospitalization or Procedure	Reason	Outcome

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Date: _____

Social history: Describe yourself including your age, gender, job, school, who you live with, and how you spend your time. With whom do you have a supportive relationship? What in your life is most meaningful to you?

Health Habits

Substance or activity	How much?
Caffeine (coffee, tea, soft drinks)	No / Yes cups/day of coffee, cups/day tea, cups (8-oz)/day soft drinks
Cigarettes	No / Yes How much? Total years you've smoked? If past smoker: Quit date: packs/day x yrs
Are you interested in quitting?	NA (not applicable) / No / Yes
Chew Tobacco	No / Yes Amount If past user: Quit date: Used for yrs
Alcohol	No / Yes What kinds/how much/how often? If past use: Quit date: Why did you quit?
Drugs	No / Yes What do you use now? In the past?
Exercise	Type & frequency
Nutrition/Diet	Type
Tetanus vaccine	Date last received

Which of your blood relatives have had the following conditions? At what age did condition develop, if known?

Alcohol/Drugs _____ Cancer _____ High blood pressure _____

Allergies/asthma _____ Cholesterol dis _____ Kidney disease _____

Alzheimer's dis _____ Diabetes _____ Mental illness _____

Anemia _____ Epilepsy _____ Osteoporosis _____

Arthritis _____ Heart disease _____ Stroke _____

Family History	Father	Mother	Brothers	Sisters	Children	Maternal Grandparents	Paternal Grandparents
Ages (if living)							
Medical disorders with age of onset							
If deceased, age and cause							

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Review of Symptoms

Check any symptoms you've had **IN THE PAST THREE MONTHS**. Provide any additional requested information.

SKIN

- Rashes
- Eczema
- Acne
- Itching
- Fungal infections
- Hair loss
- Facial hair in female
- Dry skin / scalp
- Color change
- Lumps
- Slow healing sores / ulcers
- Flushing

NOSE AND SINUSES

- Stuffiness
- Hay fever
- Sinus problems
- Frequent colds
- Nose bleeds
- Loss of smell

EYES AND EARS

- Itchy eyes
- Watery eyes
- Dry eyes
- Swollen / painful eyes
- Red eyes
- Impaired vision / blurriness
- Floaters in vision
- Color blindness
- Double vision
- Hearing difficulty
- Ringing in ears
- Earaches / ear infection

MOUTH AND THROAT

- Sore throat
- Teeth grinding
- Sore tongue / lips
- Gum problems
- Hoarseness
- Gagging / choking
- Difficulty swallowing

IMMUNE

- Frequent infections
- Persistent swollen glands
- Slow wound healing

HEAD / NECK

- Headaches
- Migraines
- Faintness
- Dizziness
- Jaw pain
- Swollen glands
- Pain or stiffness

RESPIRATORY

- Chest congestion
- Wheezing / asthma
- Bronchitis
- Pneumonia
- Emphysema
- Difficulty / pain breathing
- Shortness of breath
- Snoring excessively
- Cough ___ Wet or ___ Dry
- Coughing blood

CARDIOVASCULAR

- Angina / chest pain
- High / low blood pressure
- Murmurs
- Blood clots
- Irregular or rapid heart beat
- Palpitations / fluttering
- Swelling in ankles

CIRCULATION

- Easy bleeding or bruising
- Anemia
- Deep leg pain
- Varicose veins
- Cold hands / feet
- Fainting or collapse

MENTAL/EMOTIONAL

- Easily stressed
- Mood swings
- Anxiety or nervousness
- Considered / attempted suicide
- Depression
- Poor concentration
- Poor memory
- Panic
- Other

ENDOCRINE

- Heat or cold intolerance
- Excessive hunger
- Excessive thirst
- Low blood sugar
- Fatigue
- Other _____

DIGESTION

- Trouble swallowing
- Heartburn / acid reflux
- Loss of appetite
- Nausea / vomiting
- Belching / passing gas
- Bloating of abdomen
- Diarrhea
- Constipation
- Pain or cramps in abdomen
- Mucous in stools
- Bloody stool / black tarry stool
- Hemorrhoids
- Itchy / burning anus
- Rectal pain
- Liver / gall bladder trouble
- Jaundice (yellow skin)
- Change in bowel habits
- Bowel Movements: How often? _____
- Stools ___ Hard ___ Firm
- ___ Soft ___ Loose
- ___ Colonoscopy abnormal Date _____
- Date of last colonoscopy _____
- Normal / Abnormal

MUSCLES / JOINTS/ BONES

- Joint pain
- Muscle pain
- Muscle spasms / cramps
- Low back pain
- Sciatica

NEUROLOGIC

- Seizures
- Paralysis
- Muscle weakness
- Numbness or tingling
- Change in headaches
- Vertigo or dizziness
- Loss of balance

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Review of Symptoms

Check any symptoms you've had **IN THE PAST THREE MONTHS**. Provide any additional requested information.

GENERAL

- Poor sleep / insomnia
- Fatigue / low Energy
- Generally feel hot
- Generally feel cold
- Chills
- Fevers
- Unusual sweats
- Poor appetite
- Constant hunger
- Cravings, please specify _____
- Peculiar taste in mouth, describe _____
- Experience high stress
- Weight loss - unexpected

URINARY

- Pain on urination
- Frequent urination
- Urgent urination
- Blood in urine
- Urinary infections x _____
- Urination at night x _____
- Urine leakage
- Kidney stones

MALE ONLY

- Hernias
- Testicular masses
- Testicular pain
- Discharge or sores
- Difficulty in initiating urine stream
- Weak / diminished urinary stream
- Bladder not emptying completely
- Are you sexually active? Yes No
- Sexual partner: male / female / both
- Contraceptive method: _____
- Sexual dysfunction
- Can't maintain erection
- Erections less firm
- Premature ejaculation
- Lower sex interest / libido
- Any other male difficulties? _____
- Prostate exam abnormal in past? No Yes Date _____
- Date of last prostate exam _____
- Normal / Abnormal

FEMALE ONLY

- Pregnant or possibly pregnant
- PMS: days per month/severity _____
- Menstrual cramps: # of days/severity _____
- Painful sex
- Low libido / loss of interest in sex
- Trouble conceiving / infertility
- Heavy or excessive flow or clots
- Irregular periods, describe _____
- Bleeding between periods
- Lack of periods
- Hot flashes or menopausal symptoms
- Spotting after menopause
- Vaginal dryness or pain
- Unusual vaginal discharge Color _____
- Vaginal irritation / odor
- Breast pain/tenderness
- Fibrocystic breasts
- Nipple discharge
- Breast Lumps
- Any other feminine difficulties? _____
- Age at which menses began _____
- Age of last menses (if post-menopausal) _____
- Day 1 of period to Day 1 of next period _____ days
- Length of menstrual flow _____
- Amount of flow, describe _____
- Last menstrual period, beginning date** _____
- Last period before that, beginning date _____
- Are you sexually active? No Yes
- Sexual partner: male / female / both
- Want to discuss contraception options? No Yes
- Contraceptive method _____
- Number of pregnancies _____
- Number of live births _____
- Number of miscarriages _____
- Number of abortions _____
- Pap smear abnormal in past? No Yes Date _____
- Date of last Pap smear _____
- Normal / Abnormal
- Mammogram abnormal in past? No Yes Date _____
- Date of last mammogram _____
- Normal / Abnormal

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Context of Care Overview

We would like to take this moment to welcome you to the medical practice of Elizabeth Smoots, MD. Whether you were referred by another practitioner for a one-time visit, or are looking for a longer-term comprehensive health solution, we look forward to our role in your care. Below are a few questions that really assist us in understanding “where you’re coming from” and how we can best support your health.

- 1) How did you discover our clinic and how did you decide to see us now?
- 2) What is your present level of commitment to address any underlying causes of your signs and symptoms that relate to your lifestyle? (Rate from 0 to 10, with 10 being 100% committed)
0% **0** **1** **2** **3** **4** **5** **6** **7** **8** **9** **10** 100%

What if anything stands between your current commitment and 100%?

- 3) What behaviors or lifestyle habits do you currently engage in regularly that you believe support your health? (Please list)
- 4) What do you love most about your life at this time?
- 5) What behaviors or lifestyle habits do you currently engage in regularly that you would like to change? (Please list)
- 6) What potential challenges do you foresee in addressing lifestyle factors and recommendations, which we will be sharing with you?
- 7) What are your top three expectations of us?

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Notice and Consent as to Nature of Integrative Medicine Services

I understand that care I receive from Dr. Smoots may be conventional or, at my option, may include non-conventional care. Non-conventional services are commonly referred to as complementary or alternative medicine (ACM or CAM), holistic care, or integrative medicine. This can include a variety of innovative medical treatments as well as nutritional and herbal consultation, prevention and wellness services, and mind-body approaches to care. Many of these services may not be recognized as standard medical practice, generally accepted by the medical community, or approved by the Food and Drug Administration or other regulatory agencies. While many of these approaches have long been practiced, they may still be considered investigational or experimental. I am seeking care from Dr. Smoots in order to benefit from her special training in integrative medicine and receive treatment and advice about such care.

Nutritional and Herbal Guidance: Consultations may include discussion of diet, dietary supplements, and herbal or botanical products. While herbs and botanical products are generally available over-the-counter and considered safe based upon their long history of use, many of them have not been widely tested. There is some risk that these products could prove harmful, particularly if I am allergic to them, which in rare circumstances could lead to serious consequences. I understand that interactions between herbs, and between herbs and drugs, are not yet well known. While unlikely, I could have an adverse reaction or experience a reduction or increase in the effect of other medications. This can have serious consequences for some medications, such as for high blood pressure or blood sugar. I will let Dr. Smoots and other physicians know what herbs I am taking. And I agree to notify Dr. Smoots if I experience any interactions or adverse experiences or reactions; if they are not serious I will notify her to ask for her assistance and if serious, I agree to seek emergency care first before notifying Dr. Smoots.

Recommendations could include fasting and other forms of detoxification. While this is generally safe, some people may experience a healing crisis, which may be a short period in which one's symptoms increase, or a period of a flu-like illness during which there could be some mild fever, chills, dizziness, loss of appetite, and so forth. Such an experience, while unpleasant, can signal that the body is effectively detoxifying or undergoing a healing effort.

Mind/Body Medicine: Mind/body medicine is an emerging medical view intended to improve patient well-being by improving lifestyle, capacity to function in a meaningful and effective way, and reversing the impacts of stress. Because stress and emotional states may play an important role in my medical conditions, Dr. Smoots may assist me in recognizing more successful approaches to lifestyle and mind/body approaches such as meditation, guided imagery, muscle relaxation, or other stress management techniques.

Physical Medicine: Use of massage, stretching, hydrotherapy, electrical therapy, joint manipulation.

Energy Medicine: Energy medicine is a controversial approach to healing that has a long traditional history across many cultures, and for which there is some evidence can have a healing benefit. In the approach the practitioner channels life energy for healing benefit; it is intended to affect the balance and flow of energy in a manner that might be thought of as similar to acupuncture, but without needles. It may be ineffective or it is possible that it could temporarily aggravate symptoms.

I understand that while these approaches can provide an important complement to my health care, I should ensure, by discussing my health needs with Dr. Smoots and my other physicians, that appropriate mainstream care is provided. I understand that Dr. Smoots will discuss potential therapies that she recommends, and I agree to accept the risks explained to me about these procedures by agreeing to undertake these treatments.

I have read and understand the nature of the services provided by Dr. Smoots. I represent that I am seeking treatment in order to further my own health and for no other reason. I agree to take a responsible role in improving my own health and discuss advice and suggestions of Dr. Smoots as presented in a treatment plan. I acknowledge that if I do not follow the treatment plan as provided, I may not receive the full benefit of the treatments proposed by Dr. Smoots and I accept responsibility for less than satisfactory results. I am aware that I may withdraw this consent and discontinue following the recommendations at any time.

Signature of Patient or Legal Guardian

Witness

Patient's Printed Name

Date

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NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

State and Federal laws require us to maintain the privacy of your health information and to inform you about our privacy practices by providing you with this Notice. We must follow the privacy practices as described below. This Notice will take effect on _____, today's date, and will remain in effect until it is amended or replaced by us.

It is our right to change our privacy practices provided law permits the changes. Before we make a significant change, this Notice will be amended to reflect the changes and we will make the new Notice available upon request. We reserve the right to make any changes in our privacy practices and the new terms of our Notice effective for all health information maintained, created and/or received by us before the date changes were made.

You may request a copy of our Privacy Notice at any time by contacting our Privacy Officer, Elizabeth Smoots MD. Information on contacting us can be found at the end of this Notice.

TYPICAL USES AND DISCLOSURES OF HEALTH INFORMATION

We will keep your health information confidential, using it only for the following purposes:

Treatment: We may use your health information to provide you with our professional services. We have established "minimum necessary or need to know" standards that limit various staff members' access to your health information according to their primary job functions. Everyone on our staff is required to sign a confidentiality statement.

Disclosure: We may disclose and/or share your healthcare information with other health care professionals who provide treatment and/or service to you. These professionals will have a privacy and confidentiality policy like this one. Health information about you may also be disclosed to your family, friends and/or other persons you choose to involve in your care, only if you agree that we may do so.

Payment: We may use and disclose your health information to seek payment for services we provide to you. This disclosure involves our business office staff and may include insurance organizations or other businesses that may become involved in the process of mailing statements and/or collecting unpaid balances.

Emergencies: We may use or disclose your health information to notify, or assist in the notification of a family member or anyone responsible for your care, in case of any emergency involving your care, your location, your general condition or death. If at all possible we will provide you with an opportunity to object to this use or disclosure. Under emergency conditions or if you are incapacitated we will use our professional judgment to disclose only that information directly relevant to your care. We will also use our professional judgment to make reasonable inferences of your best interest by allowing someone to pick up filled prescriptions, x-rays or other similar forms of health information and/or supplies unless you have advised us otherwise.

Healthcare Operations: We will use and disclose your health information to keep our practice operable. Examples of personnel who may have access to this information include, but are not limited to, our medical records staff, outside health or management reviewers and individuals performing similar activities.

Required by Law: We may use or disclose your health information when we are required to do so by law. (Court or administrative orders, subpoena, discovery request or other lawful process.) We will use and disclose your information when requested by national security, intelligence and other State and Federal officials and/or if you are an inmate or otherwise under the custody of law enforcement.

Abuse or Neglect: We may disclose your health information to appropriate authorities if we reasonably believe that you are a possible victim of abuse, neglect, or domestic violence or the possible victim of other crimes. This information will be disclosed only to the extent necessary to prevent a serious threat to your health or safety or that of others.

Public Health Responsibilities: We will disclose your health care information to report problems with products, reactions to medications, product recalls, disease/infection exposure and to prevent and control disease, injury and/or disability.

Marketing Health-Related Services: We will not use your health information for marketing purposes unless we have your written authorization to do so.

HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices

*This form does not constitute legal advice and covers only federal, not state, law.
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National Security: The health information of Armed Forces personnel may be disclosed to military authorities under certain circumstances. If the information is required for lawful intelligence, counterintelligence or other national security activities, we may disclose it to authorized federal officials.

Appointment Reminders: We may use or disclose your health information to provide you with appointment reminders, including, but not limited to, voicemail messages, postcards or letters.

YOUR PRIVACY RIGHTS AS OUR PATIENT

Access: Upon written request, you have the right to inspect and get copies of your health information (and that of an individual for whom you are a legal guardian.) There will be some limited exceptions. If you wish to examine your health information, you will need to complete and submit an appropriate request form. Contact our Privacy Officer for a copy of the Request Form. You may also request access by sending us a letter to the address at the end of this Notice. Once approved, an appointment can be made to review your records. Copies, if requested, will be \$ (0.10) for each page and the staff time charged will be \$ (none) per hour including the time required to locate and copy your health information. If you want the copies mailed to you, postage will also be charged. If you prefer a summary or an explanation of your health information, we will provide it for a fee. Please contact our Privacy Officer for a fee and/or for an explanation of our fee structure.

Amendment: You have the right to amend your healthcare information, if you feel it is inaccurate or incomplete. Your request must be in writing and must include an explanation of why the information should be amended. Under certain circumstances, your request may be denied.

Non-routine Disclosures: You have the right to receive a list of non-routine disclosures we have made of your health care information. (When we make a routine disclosure of your information to a professional for treatment and/or payment purposes, we do not keep a record of routine disclosures: therefore these are not available.) You have the right to a list of instances in which we, or our business associates, disclosed information for reasons *other than* treatment, payment or healthcare operations. You can request non-routine disclosures going back 6 years starting on April 14, 2003. Information prior to that date would not have to be released. (Example: If you request information on May 15, 2004, the disclosure period would start on April 14, 2003 up to May 15, 2004. Disclosures prior to April 14, 2003 do not have to be made available.)

Restrictions: You have the right to request that we place additional restrictions on our use or disclosure of your health information. We do not have to agree to these additional restrictions, but if we do, we will abide by our agreement. (Except in emergencies.) Please contact our Privacy Officer if you want to further restrict access to your health care information. This request must be submitted in writing.

QUESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS

You have the right to file a complaint with us if you feel we have not complied with our Privacy Policies. Your complaint should be directed to our Privacy Officer. If you feel we may have violated your privacy rights, or if you disagree with a decision we made regarding your access to your health information, you can complain to us. Request a Complaint Form in writing from our Privacy Officer. We support your right to the privacy of your information and will not retaliate in any way if you choose to file a complaint with us or with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

HOW TO CONTACT US

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Privacy Officer: Elizabeth S. Smoots, MD

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

Dear Patient:

We are required to provide you with a copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices, which states how we may use and/or disclose your health information. Please sign this form to acknowledge receipt of the Notice. You may refuse to sign this acknowledgement, if you wish.

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of this office's Notice of Privacy Practices.

Please print your name here

Signature

Date

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

We have made every effort to obtain written acknowledgment of receipt of our Notice of Privacy from this patient but it could not be obtained because:

- The patient refused to sign.
- Due to an emergency situation it was not possible to obtain an acknowledgement.
- We weren't able to communicate with the patient.
- Other *(Please provide specific details)*

Employee/Practitioner signature

Date