



**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF
PRIVACY PRACTICES**

My signature confirms that I have been informed of my rights to privacy regarding my protected health information, under the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). I understand that this information can and will be used to:

- Provide and coordinate my treatment among several health care providers who may be involved in that treatment directly and indirectly.
- Obtain payment from third-party payers for my health care services.
- Conduct normal health care operations such as quality assessment and improvement activities.

I have been informed of my dental provider's *Notice of Privacy Practices* containing a more complete description of the uses and disclosures of my protected health information. I have been given the right to review and receive a copy of such *Notice of Privacy Practices*. I understand that my dental provider has the right to change the *Notice of Privacy Practices* and that I may contact this office at the address above to obtain a current copy of the *Notice of Privacy 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 and I understand that you are not required to agree to my requested restrictions, but if you do agree then you are bound to abide by such restrictions.

Patient Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Relationship to Patient: _____

In addition to the allowable disclosures described in the statement of Privacy Practices, I hereby specifically authorize disclosure of my Protected Healthcare Information to the person(s) identified below. (Optional)

Name(s) (please print): _____

Relationship: _____

For Office Use Only:

We were unable to obtain the patient's written acknowledgement of our Notice of Privacy Practices due to the following reason:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> The patient refused to sign | <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency situation. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication barriers |