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FINANCIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS: In consideration of the services provided at Northside Hospital, I hereby assign and transfer to the Hospital and other medical providers all hospital and medical provider benefits payable under my insurance policies or benefit plans. I hereby assign and transfer all related rights and remedies due under the insurance policies or benefit plans that I have identified or will identify in connection with all services rendered, including but not limited to all rights and remedies pursuant to applicable state, federal and ERISA regulation. I hereby assign and transfer all

rights to the Hospital and other medical providers applicable under ERISA, federal or state regulation to pursue any benefit denial, limitation of coverage or request for an administrative review of fiduciary duties involving administration of benefits by the U. S. Dept of Labor, the Department of Community Health or the Department of Insurance. I authorize and direct the insurance company to pay all such benefits to the Hospital and appropriate medical providers. I understand that assignment does not relieve me of any responsibility I may have for payment of charges not paid by the insurance company, unless otherwise provided by the terms of an agreement between the insurance company and the Hospital. If admission is for pregnancy, assignment of benefits will also apply to any newborn child.

PRECERTIFICATION: I understand that my insurance policy may require compliance with a utilization review program to make certain that health care benefit funds are expended when justified. I understand that it is the utilization review program's responsibility to review proposed elective admissions and anticipated courses of treatment. I understand that if the utilization review program determines that admission is necessary and appropriate and issues certification, the benefits of my health plan will be made available to me in accordance with the terms of my policy. However, if certification is denied, health care benefits may be withheld. I understand that precertification may be the responsibility of the patient or financially responsible party and his or her physician. I understand that Northside Hospital is willing to admit as requested by my physician. I also understand that I may be financially responsible for all hospital charges incurred as a result of admission should the utilization review program refuse to certify that the admission is appropriate, or should the certification effort occur too late to be valid. I understand that to protect myself from unnecessary personal financial losses, I must provide insurance coverage at time of registration, review my obligations with my insurance company, utilization review program, and personal physician without delay.

ABOUT YOUR BILLING:

Hospital and Provider-Based Services — In addition to a bill received from Northside Hospital, a bill will be received for the professional component of treatment. Although Northside Hospital may be a provider in an insurance network, the physician or professional service group may or may not be a covered provider of service. If the care received is outpatient care, the insurance carrier will process the claim(s) on an outpatient basis. Outpatient services may require co-insurance, deductible and/or co-pay, depending on insurance policy benefits.

Physician Practice Locations — If services are received in a physician practice, which is <u>not</u> a provider-based outpatient location of Northside Hospital, insurance benefits will be processed as a physician office visit.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: Payment in full is expected at the time services are received. Accounts more than 30 days past due will accrue interest at the rate of 8 percent a year. This interest does not apply to deductibles/copayments of Medicare/Medicaid or other governmental programs. (Accounts under an agreed alternate payment contract will not be considered past due, provided the plan is accepted in writing in accordance with Northside Hospital's Payment Installment Agreement Plan up to one hundred eighty (180) days of service, depending upon the Payment Plan established, with all conditions of the payment plan met.) Insured patients are required to pay identified co-pay, unsatisfied deductible, and estimated co-insurance prior to any elective services unless alternate arrangements are made. Uninsured patients are required to make payment in full prior to any elective services unless alternate arrangements are made. This provision does not apply, and payment will not be requested, prior to emergency screening and stabilizing treatment as required by federal law.

_____ I authorize Northside Hospital, or any of its affiliates, agents, contractors or business associates, to contact me (by any telephone numbers, email addresses or other contact points provided by me or on my behalf) by the use of any automatic dialing system, by pre-recorded forms of voice/messaging systems, by electronic mail owned or used by the guarantor/responsible party, by telephone or by cell phone for reasons related to the services I received at Northside Hospital or payment for the services I received at Northside Hospital, including but not limited to, debt collection purposes. I further understand and acknowledge that my consent in receiving the aforementioned communications is not required nor is it a preceding condition to receiving health care services at Northside Hospital.

_____ I do not agree with the above statement and do not wish to be contacted by the use of any automatic dialing system; by pre-recorded forms of voice/messaging systems; by electronic mail or by receiving voice messages on my cell phone, except for clinical issues

By signing below, I acknowledge and agree that I have read or had this form read to me and I understand and agree to its contents.

PATIENT / REPRESENTATIVI

DATE

RELATIONSHIP TO PATIENT

Interpreter Signature

Note: If phone interpretation used, record interpreter ID #

RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I acknowledge receipt of the Notice of Privacy Practices from Northside Hospital, Inc. and the Northside Hospital medical staff. The Notice of Privacy Practices provides information about how Northside Hospital and the Northside Hospital medical staff members may use and disclose my health information. I have been encouraged to read the notice in full.

I understand that Northside Hospital and its Medical Staff members operate as an "organized health care arrangement" and have presented me with a joint notice of privacy practices. Although the Hospital and Medical Staff members have established an organized health care arrangement for purposes of complying with privacy laws, some or all of the health care professionals performing services in this hospital or its outpatient centers are not employees or agents of the Hospital and remain independent contractors. Independent contractors are responsible for their own actions and Northside Hospital shall not be liable for the acts or omissions of any such independent contractors.

I understand that the Notice of Privacy Practices is subject to change. If Northside Hospital changes its notice, I may obtain a copy of the revised Notice at Northside's website (www.northside.com).

PATIENT / REPRESENTATIVE

DATE DATE

RELATIONSHIP TO PATIENT

INABILITY TO OBTAIN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR RECEIPT OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

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ANNUAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL AFFILIATED MEDICAL PRACTICE ANNUAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – CLINICAL ISSUES

Patient Name:

Date of Birth

BY SIGNING BELOW I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT:

<u>Consent To Routine Procedures</u>. I consent to medical care and procedures while I am a patient at a Northside Hospital affiliated medical practice ("Practice"). This includes non-invasive testing or procedures, such as routine exams, needle sticks, physical assessments and treatments, administration of medications, drawing blood, bodily fluids or tissue samples, insertion of tubes, imaging procedures or physical therapy ("Routine Procedures") recommended by my physician or other provider. I also consent to minor procedures performed under local anesthesia, such as bone marrow aspiration or removal of skin tags. ("Minor Procedures.")

The Routine Procedures may be performed by physicians, nurses, technicians, physician assistants or other healthcare professionals The Minor Procedures are performed by a physician or qualified midlevel provider. While these Procedures are routinely performed without incident, there may be material risks associated with each. It is not possible to list every risk for every Procedure, but in rare circumstances, the procedures may cause infection, loss of limb or function, damage to tissue or implants, paralysis or death. If I have any questions or concerns regarding these Procedures, I will ask my physician for more information. If I do not consent to a procedure, I will tell my physician or other provider when they recommend the procedure.

Testing And Disposition Of Specimens, Devices, Foreign Objects. I consent to the Practice or any lab used by the Practice retaining any tissue specimens, medical devices, foreign objects, or fetal remains removed, expelled or otherwise separated from my body. I agree that these items may be examined by pathologists, used for scientific or teaching purposes, and disposed of or retained according to the discretion of the Practice or lab, unless I request otherwise in writing before the procedure. I will let the Practice know if I have other requests for handling specimens. Any items I do not retrieve within fourteen days after the Procedure will be disposed of.

<u>Consent To Download Prescription Records</u>. The Practice may download my medication history from pharmacies, health plans, and other healthcare providers and include it in my electronic medical record to improve the coordination of my medical care. This may include information about medications prescribed to me for mental health conditions, sexually transmitted diseases, substance abuse disorders, and HIV/AIDS. If I do not want the Practice to obtain this information, I will cross through and initial this paragraph. Refusal to allow downloading prescription records does not prevent my physician from viewing records under the Georgia Prescription Drug Monitoring Program for narcotics.

Testing For Blood-Borne Pathogens. Georgia law allows testing for blood-borne pathogens in certain situations. (1) If a health care worker is exposed to my blood (e.g., suffers a needle stick), my blood may be tested for diseases including HIV/AIDS. Additional information about this test is available. I will be informed of test results. (2) If I am an obstetrical patient in the third trimester of pregnancy, the Practice may test me for HIV and syphilis as required by Georgia law. If I want to refuse HIV or syphilis testing, I will cross out and initial this sentence. 3) For all other patients, if my physician recommends an HIV test, he or she will notify me and I will have the right to refuse the test at that time.

<u>Students.</u> The Practice is engaged in health care education. At times care, examination and treatment may be delivered by students under the supervision of a physician or other authorized Practice personnel. Students will never have primary responsibility for my care; there will always be fully licensed health care professionals supervising the students and available to assist me. If I do not want students to participate or observe my care, I will cross through and initial this paragraph.

<u>Medications From Outside Source</u>. I agree to notify the Physician about medicines (including supplements and herbal products) that I am taking and to follow the Physician's instructions. If I bring medicine to the Practice for administration, the Practice may examine it so that it can be documented on my record, but the Practice is not responsible for the safety or proper dispensing of medication.

Some or all of the health care professionals performing services in this facility are independent contractors and are not facility agents or employees. Independent contractors are responsible for their own actions and the facility shall not be liable for the acts or omissions of any such independent contractors.

BY SIGNING BELOW I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT:

The practice of medicine is not an exact science. No guarantees have been made to me as to the result of any treatment or examination in the Practice;

The healthcare professionals participating in my care will rely on my medical history and other information obtained from me, my family or others having knowledge about me, in determining whether to perform or recommend the Procedures; therefore, I agree to provide accurate and complete information about my medical history and conditions;

I consent to participation in and assistance with the Procedure(s) by Practice employees, medical personnel under the direct supervision and control of the Physician, and other medical personnel involved in my care; and

If a health care worker is exposed to my blood as a result of care provided at this practice, my blood may be tested for HIV/AIDS. I have read or had all pages of this form read to me and understand its contents. All statements that I do not approve of were stricken before I signed this form. If I am signing this form on behalf of another person, to the best of my knowledge, I am legally authorized to consent on that person's behalf.

Signature of Patient or Legal representative Date Time

Interpreter (Note: if phone interpretation used, record interpreter ID#)

Relationship to patient

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