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## New Patient Consent to the Use & Disclosure of Health Information For Treatment, Payment, or Health Care Options

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that as part of my health care, Varsity Orthopedics originates and maintains paper and/or electronic records describing my health history, symptoms, examination and test results, diagnoses, treatment and any plans for future care or treatment. I understand that this information serves as:

- A basis for planning my care and treatment,
- A means of communication among the many health professionals who contribute to my care,
- A source of information for applying my diagnosis and surgical information to my bill,
- A means by which a third party payer can verify that services billed were actually provided, and
- A tool for routine health care operations such as assessing quality and reviewing the competence of health care professionals.

I understand and have been provided with a notice of information practices that provides a more complete description of information uses and disclosures. I understand that I have the following rights and privileges:

- The right to review the notice prior to signing this consent,
- The right to object to the use of my health information for directory purposes, and
- The right to request restrictions as to how my health information may be used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment or health care operations.

I understand that Varsity Orthopedics is not required to agree to the restrictions requested. I understand that I may revoke this consent in writing, except to the extent that the organization has already taken action in reliance thereon. I also understand that by refusing to sign this consent or revoking this consent, this organization may refuse to treat me as permitted by Section 164.506 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I further understand that Varsity Orthopedics reserves the right to change its notice and practices prior to implementation, in accordance with Section 164.520 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Should Varsity Orthopedics change its address, they will send a copy of any revised notice to the address I've provided (whether U.S. mail or, if I agree, e-mail).

I understand that as part of this organizations treatment, payment or health care operations, it may become necessary to disclose my protected health information to another entity, and I consent to such disclosure for these permitted uses, including disclosures via fax.

I wish to have the following restrictions to the use or disclosure of my health information:

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I fully understand and accept/decline the terms of this consent.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_