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# South Florida Surgical Specialists, LLC

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for visit: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical problems: \_\_\_\_\_

### Past Surgery:

Surgery name with date (year): \_\_\_\_\_

Medications/vitamins/over the counter daily: \_\_\_\_\_

Drug Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

### Tobacco Use:

Did you ever smoke cigarettes YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ (If no, please skip to Alcohol use)

Current Every Day Smoker? Yes \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Current some day smoker? Yes \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

Former Smoker? Yes \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ When did you quit? \_\_\_\_\_ # of years smoking \_\_\_\_\_

Smoke Socially Yes \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Smokeless tobacco use? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

### Alcohol Use:

Do you drink alcohol? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ If yes, how much? \_\_\_\_\_

Never Drinks alcohol? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Quit drinking alcohol Yes \_\_\_ NO If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

### Vaccinations:

Influenza immunization? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ If yes, When (Month & Year) \_\_\_\_\_

Pneumonia vaccination? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ If yes, When (Month & Year) \_\_\_\_\_

COLONOSCOPY: \_\_\_\_\_ (within the past 3 years) please provide date

PAP SMEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ (within the past 3 years) please provide date

MAMMOGRAM: (DATE) \_\_\_\_\_ WHERE: \_\_\_\_\_

RESULTS OF MAMMO: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the spaces below that pertains to you. Have you recently experienced:

- Constitutional** \_\_ weight changes, \_\_ fever, \_\_ fatigue \_\_ None of these
- Eyes** \_\_ visual changes, \_\_ pain \_\_ None of these
- Ears, Nose & Throat** \_\_ sore throat, \_\_ sinus trouble, \_\_ nose bleeds \_\_ None of these
- Cardiovascular** \_\_ chest pain, \_\_ palpitations, \_\_ leg cramps \_\_ None of these
- Respiratory** \_\_ cough, \_\_ shortness of breath, \_\_ wheezing \_\_ None of these
- Gastrointestinal** \_\_ abdominal pain, \_\_ constipation, \_\_ bloody or dark stools \_\_ None of these
- Genitourinary** \_\_ pain with urination, \_\_ frequent urination at night \_\_ None of these
- Musculoskeletal** \_\_ arthritis, \_\_ limitation of movement \_\_ None of these
- Skin** \_\_ rash, \_\_ lumps, \_\_ bruises \_\_ None of these
- Neurological** \_\_ fainting, \_\_ headaches, \_\_ numbness \_\_ None of these
- Psychiatric** \_\_ depression, \_\_ panic attacks \_\_ None of these
- Endocrine** \_\_ thyroid problems, \_\_ hot flashes \_\_ None of these
- Hematological** \_\_ bleeding problems, \_\_ anemia \_\_ None of these
- Allergy/Immunology** \_\_ Steroid use, \_\_ hives, \_\_ HIV \_\_ None of these

**PLEASE CIRCLE ONE IF YOU ARE A NEW PATIENT TO THE PRACTICE. IF NOT, PLEASE IGNORE:**

**Race (circle one):** Alaskan Native, American Indian, Asian, African American, Hispanic or Latino, Indian, Native Hawaiian, Caucasian, White Hispanic, Refuse to report

**Ethnicity (circle one):** Hispanic or Latino, Non Hispanic or Latino, Refuse to Report

OFFICE USE ONLY (PLEASE DO NOT COMPLETE BELOW LINE)

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Patient Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Patient Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Blood Pressure: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ (R/L)

Primary Care Physician: \_\_\_\_\_

Referring Physician: \_\_\_\_\_

OBGYN: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Physicians: \_\_\_\_\_

**Doctor Reviewed Document**

**Physician Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_



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Patient name: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical history in IMMEDIATE family (grandparents, parents, siblings, children)

- Alcoholism? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Anemia? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Anxiety? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Arthritis? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Cancer? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Cataracts? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Diabetes? I or II YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Hyperlipidemia YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- HTN? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Kidney Stones YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_
- Stroke YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_

**Doctor Reviewed Document**

Physician Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**SOUTH FLORIDA SURGICAL SPECIALISTS, LLC**  
**Dr.'s Shachner, Zaragoza , Shintre and Pann**  
**3001 Coral Hills Drive Suite 320**  
**Coral Springs, Fl. 33065**

Consent to Treat

In the course of your treatment with Shachner and Zaragoza, M. D., P. A., it may be necessary to contact you regarding your appointments, surgery or your medical condition. Please list family members or friends that you authorize us to speak with if we are unable to contact you. ***Without this authorization we are prohibited by law to answer any questions regarding your appointments, surgery or medical condition.*** This rule applies to spouses, children, parents and any other immediate family members.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby authorize the office of

South Florida Surgical Specialists, LLC, Dr. Shachner, Dr. Zaragoza, Dr. Shintre, Dr. Pann to contact

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

or to leave a message at my home or office. There are / are not exceptions to the above.

Exceptions: \_\_\_\_\_

This authorization will last indefinitely unless this office is notified in writing about any new changes.

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

Witness \_\_\_\_\_



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**CONSENT FOR PARTICIPATION**  
**BY RESIDENTS AND/OR MEDICAL STUDENTS**

I have been informed that Dr.'s Mark S. Shachner; Dr. Bernard J. Zaragoza;  
Dr. Niranjan J. Shintre, and Dr. Melvin E. Pann have been appointed to the clinical faculty of the  
Broward Health – Nova Southeastern University, College of Osteopathic Medicine and have the rank  
of Clinical Instructor to Professor. Dr.'s Mark S. Shachner; Dr. Bernard J. Zaragoza;  
Dr Niranjan Shintre and Dr. Melvin E. Pann may, from time to time, request that the resident's and  
or medical students under his supervision participate in my care.

Please Check Below:

\_\_\_\_\_ I **hereby** consent to such participation by residents or medical students in my care.

\_\_\_\_\_ I **do not** consent to such participation by residents or medical students in my care and treatment.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please Print Your Name

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### MEDICATION HISTORY CONSENT FORM

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby authorize the office of South Florida Surgical Specialists, LLC to E-Prescribe medications as well as view my medication history.

This authorization will last indefinitely unless this office is notified in writing about any changes.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR PHARMACY INFORMATION BELOW

PHARMACY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER OR LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **OUR FINANCIAL POLICY**

Thank you for choosing us as your health care provider. We are committed to your treatment being successful. Please understand that payment of your bills is considered a part of your treatment. The following is a statement of our Financial Policy, which we require you read and sign prior to any treatment.

All patients must complete our Information and Insurance Form before seeing the doctor, Copayments, coinsurance and deductibles are due at the time of service. We only accept cash or Visa, Master card, Discover, or American Express. **We do NOT accept checks.**

Should the account not be paid, the patient assumes all cost of collection, including, but not limited to court costs, interest and legal fees.

### **REGARDING INSURANCE**

We will accept assignment of insurance benefits; however we do require a percentage of the bill to be paid at or before the time of service when applicable. The balance is your responsibility whether or not your insurance company pays. We cannot bill your insurance company unless you provide us with complete and accurate date. Your insurance policy is a contract between you and your insurance company. We are not a part of that contract. We will facilitate the claims process by filing for you. If your insurance company has not paid your account in full within 45 days you will be responsible for the balance. Please be aware that some of the services provided may be non-covered services and not considered reasonable and necessary under the Medicare Program and other medical insurance.

Exceptions to the above policy are restricted to the plans for which Dr. Shachner/Dr. Zaragoza/ Dr. Shintre/ Dr. Pann are contracted providers (e.g. certain HMO's & PPO's). You will be responsible for all required co-payments and deductibles at the time of service. You will also be responsible for payments for procedures not covered by your insurance company, or procedures performed for pre-existing conditions if not covered by your policy. We will assist with obtaining authorizations for all procedures; however, pre-authorizations are not a guarantee of payment by your insurance company.

### **USUAL AND CUSTOMARY RATES**

Our practice is committed to providing the best treatment for our patients, and we charge what is usual and customary for our area. You are responsible for payment regardless of any insurance company's arbitrary determination of usual and customary rates

### **MISSES APPOINTMENTS**

Unless cancelled at least 24 hours in advance, our policy is to charge for missed appointments at the rate of normal office visits. Please help us serve you better by keeping scheduled appointment.

### **SURGERY**

Once confirmed, surgery dates and times CANNOT be rescheduled for any reason except failure to be medically cleared. At the discretion of the surgeon a **\$250.00** rescheduling fee will be applied.

Thank you for understanding our Financial Policy. Please let us know if you have questions or concerns. I have read the Financial Policy and understand and agree to this Financial Policy.

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Signature of patient or responsible party

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Date





SOUTH FLORIDA SURGICAL SPECIALISTS, LLC (the "Practice")  
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.**

The Practice uses health information about you for treatment and to obtain payment for treatment for administrative purposes and to evaluate the quality of care that you receive. Your health information is contained in a medical record that is the physical property of the Practice. Your health information is referred to in this Notice as information or health information.

**Practice Obligations:**

The Practice is required by law to:

- maintain the privacy of protected health information;
- provide you with this notice of its legal duties and privacy practices with respect to your health information;
- abide by the terms of this notice;
- notify you if we are unable to agree to a requested restriction on how your information is used or discloses;
- accommodate reasonable requests you may make to communicate health information by alternative means or at alternative locations;

The Practice reserves the right to change its privacy practices and the terms of this Notice at any time, provided such changes are permitted by applicable law. The Practice reserves the right to make the changes in its privacy practices and policies and the new terms of its Notice effective for all health information that the Practice maintains, including health information the Practice created or received before the Practice made the changes. Before the Practice makes a significant change in its privacy practices, the Practice will change this Notice and make the new Notice available upon request.

**Use or Disclosure of Your Health Information:**

For Treatment: The Practice may use and disclose your health information to other health care providers or physicians in order to provide you with medical treatment or services. For example, information obtained by a health care provider, such as a physician, nurse or other person providing health services to you, will record information in your record that is related to your treatment. This information is necessary for health care providers to determine what treatment you should receive. Health care providers will also record actions taken by them in the course of your treatment and note how you respond to the actions.

For Payment: The Practice may use and disclose your health information to others for purposes of receiving payment for treatment and services that you receive. For example, a bill may be sent to you or a third-party payor, such as an insurance company or health plan. The information on the bill may contain information that identifies you, your diagnosis, and treatment or supplies used in the course of treatment.

For Health Care Operations: The Practice may use and disclose health information about you for operational purposes. For example, your health information may be disclosed to members of the medical staff, risk or quality improvement personnel, and others to:

- evaluate the performance of our staff;
- conducting training program;
- accreditation, certification, licensing or credentialing activities;
- assess the quality of care and outcomes in your case and similar cases;
- learn how to improve our facilities and services; and
- determine how to continually improve the quality and effectiveness of the health care we provide.

To Your Family and Friends: The Practice must disclose your health information to you, as described in the Patient Rights of this Notice. The Practice may disclose your health information to a family member, friend or any person to the extent necessary to help with your healthcare or with payment for your healthcare, but only if you agree that the Practice may do so.

Persons involved in Care: The Practice may use and disclose health information to notify, or assist in the notification of (including identifying or locating) a family member, your personal representative or another person responsible for your care, of your general condition, or death. If you are present, then prior to use or disclosure of your health information, the Practice will provide you with an opportunity to object to such uses or disclosures. In the event of your incapacity or emergency circumstances, the Practice will disclose health information based on a determination using our professional judgment disclosing only health information that is directly relevant to the person's involvement in your healthcare. The Practice will also use its professional judgment and its experience with common practice to make reasonable inferences of your best interest in allowing a person to pick up filled prescriptions, medical supplies, x-rays or other similar forms of health information.

Appointments: The Practice may use or disclose your information to provide appointment reminders, including telephone messages or voicemail messages at telephone numbers which you gave to the Practice.

Fund Raising: The Practice may use your information to contact you to raise funds for the Practice.

Required by law: The Practice may use and disclose information about you as required by law. For example, the Practice may disclose information for the following purposes:

- for judicial and administrative proceeding pursuant to legal authority;
- to report information related to victim of abuse, neglect or domestic violence; and
- to assist law enforcement officials in their law enforcement duties.

Public Health: Your health information may be used or disclosed for public health activities such as assisting public health authorities or other legal authorities to prevent or control disease, injury, or disability, or for other health oversight activities.

Abuse or Neglect: The Practice may use or disclose your health information to appropriate authorities if the Practice reasonably believes that you are a possible victim of abuse, neglect or domestic violence or the possible victim in other crimes. The Practice may disclose your health information to the extent necessary to avert a serious threat to your health or safety or the health or safety of others.

Decedents: Health information may be disclosed to funeral directors or coroners to enable them to carry out their lawful duties.

Organ/Tissue Donation: Your health information may be used or disclosed for cadaveric organ, eye or tissue donation purposes.

Research: The Practice may use your health information for research purposes after an institutional review board or privacy board has reviewed the research proposal and established protocols to ensure the privacy of your health information.

Health and Safety: Your health information may be used or disclosed to avert a serious threat to the health or safety of you or any other person pursuant to applicable law.

Government Functions: Your health information may be used or disclosed for specializing government functions such as protection of public officials or reporting to various branches of the armed services including for national security purposes.

Workers Compensations: Your health information may be used or disclosed in order to comply with laws and regulations related to Workers' Compensation.

Your Authorization: In addition to the Practice's use of your health information for treatment, payment or healthcare operations, you may give the Practice written authorization to use your health information or to disclose it to anyone for any purpose. If you give the Practice an authorization, you may revoke it in writing at any time. Your revocation will not affect any use or disclosures permitted by your authorization while it was in effect. Unless you give the Practice a written authorization, the Practice cannot use or disclose your health information for any reason except those in those Notice.

Marketing Health-Related Services: The Practice will not use your health information for marketing communications without your written authorization.

Other uses: Other uses and disclosure will be made only with your written authorization and you may revoke the authorization except to the extent the Practice has taken action in reliance on such.

### **Your Health Information Rights:**

Access: You have the right to look at or get copies of your health information, with limited exceptions. You may request that the Practice provides copies in a format other than photocopies. The Practice will use the format you request unless the Practice cannot practicably do so. You must make a request in writing to obtain access to your health information. You may obtain format to request access by using the contact information listed at the end of this Notice. The Practice will charge you a reasonable cost based fee for expenses, such as copies and staff time. You may also request address by sending us a letter to the address at the end of this Notice. If you request copies, the Practice will charge you \$\_\_\_\_\_ For each page and \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour of staff time to locate and copy your health information, and postage if you want the copies mailed to you. If you request a alternate format, the Practice will charge a cost based fee for providing your health information in that format. If you prefer, the Practice will prepare a summary or an explanation of your health information for a fee. Contact the Practice using the information listed at the end of this Notice for a full explanation of the Practice's fee structure.

Disclosure Accounting: You have the right to receive a list in which the Practice or its business associates disclosed your health information for purposes, other than treatment, payment, healthcare operations and certain other activities, for the last six (6) years, but not before April 14, 2003. If you request this accounting more than once in a twelve (12) month period, the Practice may charge you a reasonable cost based fee for responding to these additional request.

Restriction: You have the right to request that the Practice places additional restrictions on its use or disclosure of your health information. The Practice is not required to agree to these additional restrictions, but if the Practice does, it will abide by its agreement (except in an emergency).

Alternative Communication: You have the right to request that the Practice communicates with you about your health information by alternative means or to alternative location. You must make you request in writing. Your request must specify the alternative means or location, and provide satisfactory explanation how payment will be handled under the alternative means or location you request.

Amendment: You have the right to request that the Practice amend your health information. Your request must be in writing and it must explain why the information should be amended. The Practice may deny your request under certain circumstances.

Electronic Notice: If you receive this Notice on the Practice's website or by electronic mail(e-mailed), you are entitled to receive this Notice in written form.

You have the right to:

- request a restriction on certain uses and disclosures of your information as provide by 45 C.F.R. §164.522; however, the Practice is not required to agree to a requested restriction;
- obtain a paper copy of this Notice of information practices upon request;
- inspect and obtain a copy of your health record as provided for in 45 C.F.R. §164.524;
- request your health record be amended as provided in 45 C.F.R. §164.26;
- request communications of your health information by alternative means or at alternative locations; and
- receive a accounting of disclosure made of your health information as provided by 45 C.F.R. §164.258

#### **Questions and Complaints:**

If you want more information about our privacy or have questions or concerns, please contact the Practice.

If you are concerned that we have violated your privacy rights, or you disagree with a decision the Practice has made about access to your health information or in response to a request you made to amend or restrict the use or disclosure of your health information, or to have us communicate with you by alternate means it at alternative locations, you may complain to us by using the contact information listed at the end of this Notice, You may also submit a written complaint to the U.S.

Department of Health and Human Services if you believe your privacy rights have been violated and we will provide you with the address for such communication. You will not be retaliated against for filing a complaint.

Contact Information:

Contact: South Florida Surgical Specialists, LLC  
Address: 3001 Coral Hills Dr, Suite 320  
Coral Springs, FL 33065  
Telephone: (954) 755-0111  
Fax: (954) 755-2209



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE PRACTICE'S  
NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Practice's Notice of Privacy Practices. You may refuse to sign this acknowledgement.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

The Practice Use Only

Date acknowledgement received: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual refused to sign: \_\_\_\_\_ (check if applicable)

An Emergency situation prevented the Practice from obtaining acknowledgement: \_\_\_\_\_(check)

Other reason acknowledgement was not obtained: \_\_\_\_\_

Practice Employee:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_