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### HIPAA NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requires us to provide you with our Notice of Privacy Practices, which explains our privacy practices and how we may legally use and disclose your Protected Health Information (PHI). In order to protect your privacy and confidentiality, we ask that you authorize when, and to whom, protected health information can be released.

May we leave a message on your answering machine/voicemail, such as appointment reminders?

Yes  No

May we call your work number and leave a message to call the office back?

Yes  No

May we send you text (SMS) messages, such as appointment reminders or occasional promotions?

Yes  No

If yes, the cell phone number I authorize for texts is \_\_\_\_\_.

May we send you e-mail messages, including appointment reminders, occasional newsletters and information about specials and exclusive promotions?

Yes  No

If yes, the email address I authorize for emails is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Reminder: Keep information sent to us through text or email to the minimum necessary and encrypt emails and texts whenever possible, especially when sending PHI, as unencrypted communications may be intercepted in the process.**

Do we have your permission to talk and allow access to your PHI to family members or other individuals?

Yes  No

If yes, please provide the name, phone number, and relationship of authorized individuals:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

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By signing this form, I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the DFW Skin Surgery Center’s Notice of Privacy Practices and have been given an opportunity to ask questions. I further agree that I understand the risks of unencrypted/non-secure communications and I will either use an encrypted text messaging app of the practice’s choosing and utilize secure email tools for any communications involving PHI or I accept these risks and choose to utilize unencrypted/non-secure means of communications. A copy of this consent will be included in my chart for future reference.

Patient or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Relationship (if other than patient): \_\_\_\_\_