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NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

This notice describes how your health information may be used and disclosed and how you can access this information. Please review it carefully. At Shariar Cohen, MD, A Medical Corporation, we will always keep your health information secure and confidential. A new law requires us to continue maintaining your privacy, to give you this notice, and to follow the terms of this notice.

The law permits us to use or disclose your health information to those involved in your treatment. For example, reviews of your file by a doctor whom we may involve in your care. We may use or disclose your health information for payment of your services. For example, we may send a report of your progress to your insurance company.

We may use or disclose your health information for our normal healthcare operations. For example, one of our staff will enter your information into our computer. We may share your medical information with our business associates, such as our billing service. We have a written contract with each business associate that requires them to protect your privacy.

We may use your information to contact you. We may also call and remind you of your appointments. If you are not home we may leave this information on your answering machine or with the person who answers the telephone. In an emergency, we may disclose your health information to a family member or another person responsible for your care. We may release some or all of your health information when required by law.

If this practice is sold, your information will become the property of the new owner. We may also create and distribute de-identified health information by moving all references to individually identifiable information.

Except as described above, this practice will not use or disclose your health information without your prior written authorization. You may request in writing that we do not use or disclose your health information as described above. We will let you know if we can fulfill your request. You have the right to know of any use or disclosure we make with your health information beyond the above normal uses.

You have the right to transfer charts and reports to another practice. There may be a fee associated with this transfer. You have the right to request an amendment or change to your health information. You must make this request in writing. If you wish to include a statement in your file, please give it to us in writing. We may or may not make changes you request, but we will be happy to include your statement in your file. If we agree on amendment or change, we will not remove nor alter earlier documents, but will add new information.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF PRIVACY PRACTICES NOTICE

I acknowledge that I have received, read, and understand the NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES governed by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Office Use Only

We attempted to obtain written acknowledgement of receipt of our Privacy Practices Notice, but could not obtain it for the following reason:

____ 1. Individual refused to sign.

____ 2. Communication barriers prohibited acknowledgement.

____ 3. An emergency situation prevented us from obtaining acknowledgement.

____ 4 . Other (please specify): _____