

CONSENT TO USE/DISCLOSE PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

I consent to the use or disclosure of my protected health information by Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. for the purpose of diagnosing or providing treatment to me, obtaining payment for my health care bills or to conduct health care operations of Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. I understand that diagnosis or treatment of me by Doctor _____ may be conditioned upon my consent as evidenced by my signature on this document.

I understand I have the right to request a restriction as to how my protected health information is used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment or healthcare operations of the practice. Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. is not required to agree to the restrictions that I may request. However, if Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. agrees to a restriction that I request, the restriction is binding on Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. and Doctor _____.

I have the right to revoke this consent, in writing, at any time, except to the extent that Doctor _____ or Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. has taken action in reliance on this consent.

My "protected health information" means health information, including my demographic information, collected from me and created or received by my physician, another health care provider, a health plan, my employer or a health care clearinghouse. This protected health information relates to my past, present or future physical or mental health or condition and identifies me, or there is a reasonable basis to believe the information may identify me.

I understand I have a right to review Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A.'s Notice of Privacy Practices prior to signing this document. The Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A.'s Notice of Privacy Practices has been provided to me. The Notice of Privacy Practices describes the types of uses and disclosures of my protected health information that will occur in my treatment, payment of my bills or in the performance of health care operations of the Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. The Notice of Privacy Practices for Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. is also provided at the reception stations and on the Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. website at www.midlandsortho.com. This Notice of Privacy Practices also describes my rights and the Midlands Orthopaedics' duties with respect to my protected health information.

Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. reserves the right to change the privacy practices that are described in the Notice of Privacy Practices. I may obtain a revised notice of privacy practices by accessing the Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A. website, calling the office and requesting a revised copy be sent in the mail or asking for one at the time of my next appointment.

Signature of Patient or Personal Representative

Name of Patient or Personal Representative

Date

Description of Personal Representative's Authority