

# North Georgia Dermatology

**Patient Consent Form**  
**Effective Date: April 14, 2003**

By signing this Consent Form, you give us permission to use and disclose protected health information about you for treatment, and healthcare operations (TPO) except for any restrictions specified in the Form to Request Restrictions. *Protected health information* is individually identifiable information we create or receive, including demographic information relating to your physical or mental health to provision of healthcare services to you and to the collection of payment for providing healthcare services to you.

Our Notice of Privacy Practices provides information about how we may use and disclose protected health information about you. You have the right to receive a copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices before signing this Consent Form. As provided in our Notice, the terms of the Notice of Privacy Practices may change. If we change our Notice, you may obtain a revised copy by contacting our Privacy Officer at 770-962-5040, who is also available to respond to any questions or receive any complaints you may have concerning your protected health information. You may also ask for a revised copy at your next appointment.

You have the right to request that we restrict how protected health information about you is used or disclosed for treatment, payment, or healthcare operations. We are not required to agree to any restrictions, but if we do, we are bound by our agreement. If you wish to make a restriction, please request a copy of our *Form to Request Restrictions*.

With this consent, North Georgia Dermatology may call my home or other alternative location to leave a message on voicemail or in person in reference to any items that assist the practice in carrying out TPO, such as appointment reminders, insurance items, and any calls pertaining to my clinical care, including laboratory results among others.

With this consent, North Georgia Dermatology may mail to my home or other alternative location any items that assist the practice in carrying out TPO, such as appointment reminder cards and patient statements as long as they are marked Personal and Confidential.

If you do not sign this Consent Form, we have the right to refuse you treatment unless a licensed healthcare professional has determined that you require emergency treatment or we are required by law to treat you. We are required to document any circumstances in which we do not obtain your consent, yet carry out treatment. We will offer you a copy of this documentation should you decide not to sign this Consent Form.

You have the right to revoke this consent in writing except where we have already made disclosures in reliance on your prior consent. You may request to use our Authorization for Release of Information Form for purposed of requesting your revocation, or you may simply send us a letter in writing.

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Print Patients Name & Date of Birth

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Signature of Patient or Legal Representative

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Date