Austin Physical Therapy, PLLC

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Consent Form

Please read carefully before you sign. By your signature, you acknowledge understanding of all items set forth herein. If you have questions regarding any sections, please feel free to ask.

Informed consent for treatment: The term "informed consent" means that the potential risks, benefits, and alternatives of therapy evaluation and treatment have been explained to you. The therapist provides a wide range of services and I understand that I will receive information at the initial visit concerning the evaluation, treatment and options available for my condition. Treatment may include, but not be limited to the following: observation, palpation, use of electrical stimulation, ultrasound, heat, cold, stretching and strengthening exercises, soft tissue and/or joint mobilization and educational instruction.

Potential risks: I may experience an increase in my current level of pain or discomfort, or an aggravation of my existing injury. There is also a risk that your treatment may cause pain or injury, or may aggravate previously existing conditions. This discomfort is usually temporary; if it does not subside in 1-3 days, I agree to contact my therapist.

Potential benefits may include an improvement in my symptoms and an increase in my ability to perform my daily activities. I may experience increased strength, awareness, flexibility and endurance in my movements. I may experience decreased pain and discomfort. I should gain a greater knowledge about managing my condition and the resources available to me.

Alternatives: You have the right to ask your physical therapist what type of treatment he or she is planning based on your history, diagnosis, symptoms and testing results. You may also discuss with your therapist what the potential risks and benefits of a specific treatment might be. You have the right to decline any portion of your treatment at any time before or during your treatment session. If you do not wish to participate in the therapy program, you will discuss any medical, surgical or pharmacological alternatives with your physician or primary care provider.

Cooperation with treatment:

I understand that in order for therapy to be effective, I must come as scheduled unless there are unusual circumstances that prevent me from attending therapy. I agree to cooperate with and carry out the home program assigned to me. If I have difficulty with any part of my treatment program, I will discuss it with my therapist.

No warranty: I understand that the physical therapist cannot make any promises or guarantees regarding a cure for or improvement in my condition. I understand that my therapist will share with me her opinions regarding potential results of physical therapy treatment for my condition and will discuss all treatment options with me before I consent to treatment.

I have informed my therapist of any condition that would limit my ability to have an evaluation or to be treated. I hereby request and consent to the evaluation and treatment to be provided by the therapists and therapy assistants and technicians of Austin Physical Therapy, PLLC.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the above.

Patient/ Legal Guardian Signature Date