# **Notice of Privacy Practices for Protected Health Information**

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW CHIROPRACTIC AND MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GIET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

#### Uses and Disclosures

Here are some examples of how we might have to use or disclose your health care information:

- 1) Your chiropractor or a staff member may have to disclose your health information including all of you clinical records to another health care provider or a hospital if it is necessary to refer you to them for diagnosis, assessment, or treatment of you health condition.
- 2) Our insurance and billing staff may have to disclose your examination and treatment records and you billing records to another party, such as an insurance carrier, an HMO, a PPO< or your employer, if they are potentially responsible for the payment of your services.
- 3) Your chiropractor and members of the practice staff may need to use your name, address, phone number, and your clinical records to contact you to provide appointment reminders, information about treatment alternatives, or other health related information that may be of interest to you. 164.520 (b)(1)(iii) (A). If you are not at home to receive an appointment reminder, a message will be left on your answering machine.

You have the right to refuse to give us authorization to contact you to provide appointment reminders, information about treatment alternatives, or other health related information. If you do not give us authorization, it will not affect the treatment we provide to you or the methods we use to obtain reimbursement for your care.

You may inspect or copy the information that we use to contact you to proved appointment reminders, information about treatment alternatives, or other health related information at any time.

## **Our Privacy Pledge**

## Your right to complain

You may complain to us or to the Secretary for Health and Human Services if you feel that we have violated your privacy rights. We respect your right to file a complaint and will not take any action against you if you file a complaint. While you may make an oral complaint at any time, written comments should be addressed to:

#### Absolute Wellness Center 966 Houston Northcutt Blvd. Ste. F Mount Pleasant, SC 29464

# **To Contact Us**

If you would like further information about our privacy policies and practices please contact:

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This notice is effective as of\_\_\_\_\_\_. This notice will expire seven years after the date upon which the record was crated. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received a copy of this notice.

Patient Name Printed

Date

Patient Signature

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Personal Representative Printed

Personal Representative Signature

Authorized Provider Representative

Description of personal representative's authority to act for the patient.