Chittenden County Chiropractic

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INFORMED CONSENT

As with all health care professions, CHIROPRACTIC is associated with very rare potential risks in the delivery of treatment. While chiropractic is extremely safe, it is our policy that all patients read and understand fully those possible risks involved with the chiropractic treatment prior to initiating treatment. Please understand that we are highly trained in patient examination and evaluation, allowing us to avoid many of the risks herein.

Stroke is the most serious known complication of chiropractic treatment. It occurs in very rare circumstances after cervical manipulation and is due to and injury to the vertebral artery. Cervical treatment posts a very small risk. The most recent studies indicate that the incidence of stroke is approximately one in every three million cervical adjustments. Practitioners can lower this occurrence even further with proper orthopedic testing and history taking during their examination. Soreness may occur as a side effect after the adjustment and can last for 24-48 hours. This is a normal and accepted response to chiropractic care. If you do feel any abnormal amount of pain, or if you are uncomfortable for a prolonged period of time following treatment, please inform us. Soft tissue injury may result from chiropractic care. On occasion discs, joints, ligaments and tendons can become irritated from an adjustment. Rib injury or fracture is a rare side effect of thoracic spine manipulation. Treatment is provided carefully to avoid such circumstances. Physical therapy modalities may cause rare minor burns to the skin and should be reported to the doctor or staff member if they occur. Other rare sided effects may occur as result of chiropractic care and should be immediately reported to the doctor or staff of Chittenden County Chiropractic.

While we make it a goal to provide the best possible treatment for every one of our patients, it is important that patients understand that we cannot promise a cure for every symptom, condition, or disease as a result of treatment in our office. Every attempt will be made to treat your condition to the best of our abilities. If we do not achieve the results we hope for, we will refer you to another provider who we feel can better assist you with your condition. If you have any questions or concerns with the above mentioned material today or at any point during your course of care, please feel free to ask questions. When you have a full understanding of the above mentioned material, and consent to receiving chiropractic care in our office, please print you name, sign and date below.

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Print name Signature Date

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Witness Signature Date

CONSENT TO TREAT A MINOR

As the parent/guardian of _____, I hereby give my consent for my child to obtain chiropractic care. I understand the risks involved with the chiropractic treatment prior to initiating treatment.

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Name of Minor Date of Birth Parent/Guardian Signature Date

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Witness Signature Date

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