

**Patient Consent to the Use and Disclosure of Health Information for Treatment, Payment or Healthcare Operations in Accordance to HIPPA**

I \_\_\_\_\_, understand that as part of my health care, Venkat Veerappan, MD PC dba Desert Neurology originates and maintains papers and/or electronic records describing my health history, symptoms, examinations, test results, diagnoses, treatment and any plans for future care or treatment. I understand this information serves as:

- A basis for planning my care and treatment
- A means of communication among the many health professional who contribute to my care
- A source of information for applying my diagnosis and surgical information to my bill
- A means by which third-party payer(s) can verify that services billed were actually provided
- A tool for routine healthcare operations such as assessing quality and reviewing the competence of healthcare professional

I understand and have been provided with a Notice of Information Practices that provides a more complete description of information uses and disclosures. I understand that I have the following rights and privileges:

- The right to review the notice prior to signing consents/disclosure
- The right to request restrictions as to how my health information may be used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment or healthcare operations.

I understand that Venkat Veerappan, MD PC dba Desert Neurology is not required to agree with the restrictions requested. I understand that I may this consent in writing, except to the extent that the organization has already taken action in reliance thereon. I also understand that by refusing to sign this consent or revoking this consent, this organization may refuse to treat me permitted by Section 164.520 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I understand that as part of this organization’s treatment, payment or healthcare operations, it may become necessary to disclose my protected health information to another entity (Insurance company, referring physician, Consulting physician, Hospital etc.), and I consent to such disclosure for these permitted uses, including disclosures via fax or email.

In addition, I also give consent to Venkat Veerappan, MD PC dba Desert Neurology to disclose my protected information to the following person and/or persons:

_____ Name	_____ Relationship	_____ Phone Number
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I fully understand and accept the terms of this consent.

_____ Patient/Legal Guardian Signature	_____ Date
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