

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN TELEMEDICINE CONSULTATION

Telemedicine involves the use of audio, video or other electronic communications to interact with you, consult with your healthcare provider and/or review your medical information for the purpose of diagnosis, therapy, follow-up and/or education. During your telemedicine consultation, a physical examination of you may take place and video, audio, and/or photo recordings may be taken.

RISKS, BENEFITS AND ALTERNATIVES: The benefits of telemedicine include having access to medical specialists and additional medical information and education without having to travel outside of your local health care community. A potential risk of telemedicine is that because of your specific medical condition, or due to technical problems, a face-to-face consultation still may be necessary after the telemedicine appointment. Additionally, in rare circumstances, security protocols could fail causing a breach of patient privacy. The alternative to telemedicine consultation is a face-to-face visit with a physician.

MEDICAL RECORDS: All laws concerning patient access to medical records and copies of medical records apply to telemedicine.

CONFIDENTIALITY: All existing confidentiality protections under federal and California law apply to information used or disclosed during your telemedicine consultation.

RIGHTS: You may withhold or withdraw your consent to a telemedicine consultation at any time before and/or during the consult without affecting your right to future care or treatment.

DISCLOSURE: The nature of telehealth consultation was discussed with the patient, including the risks, benefits and alternatives. The patient had opportunity to ask questions about the information and those questions were answered. The patient verbalized understanding and agreed to this telehealth consultation.