Informed Consent for Chiropractic Treatment

Doctors of chiropractic who use manual therapy techniques are required to advise patients that there are or may be some risks associated with such treatment. In particular you should note:

a) While rare, some patients may experience short term aggravation of symptoms, rib fractures or muscle and ligament strains or sprains as a result of manual therapy techniques;

b) There are reported cases of stroke associated with many common neck movements including adjustment of the upper cervical spine. Present medical and scientific evidence does not establish a definite cause and effect relationship between upper cervical spine adjustment and the occurrence of stroke. Furthermore, the apparent association is noted very infrequently. However, you are being warned of this possible association because stroke sometimes causes serious neurological impairment, and may on rare occasion result in injuries including paralysis. The possibility of such injuries resulting from upper cervical spinal adjustment is extremely remote;

c) There are rare reported cases of disc injuries following cervical and lumbar spinal adjustment although no scientific study has ever demonstrated such injuries are caused, or may be caused, by spinal adjustments or chiropractic treatment.

Chiropractic treatment, including spinal adjustment, has been the subject of government reports and multi-disciplinary studies conducted over many years and has been demonstrated to be effective treatment for many neck and back conditions involving pain, numbness, muscles spasm, loss of mobility, headaches and other similar symptoms. Chiropractic care contributes to your overall well being. The risk of injuries or complications from chiropractic treatment is substantially lower than that associated with many medical or other treatments, medications, and procedures given for the same symptoms.

I acknowledge I have discussed, or have had the opportunity to discuss, with my chiropractor the nature and purpose of chiropractic treatment in general and my treatment in particular (including spinal adjustment) as well as the contents of this Consent.

I consent to the chiropractic treatments offered or recommended to my by my chiropractor, including spinal adjustment. I intend this consent to apply to all my present and future chiropractic care.

Cancellation and No Shop Policy

The Campus Health Care Centre has a 60 minute cancellation and no show policy. Patients must notify the reception more than 60 minutes prior to an appointment. Failure to do so will result in a $40 cancellation and no show fee.

Dated this ________ day of _________________, 20_________.

Patient Signature (Legal Guardian)		Witness of Signature	
Name:	(please print)	Name:	(please print)

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