



Alternative Family Medicine and Chiropractic

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INFORMED CONSENT – NUTRITIONAL COUNSELLING

1. **SERVICES:** My health care provider has recommended functional, nutritional, and lifestyle evaluation, testing, consulting, and care, including dietary supplements. I understand and am informed that products and services are not provided by medical physicians and do not include prescription of legend drugs, surgery, or other conventional allopathic medical treatments. I further understand that consultations, evaluations, supplementation, lifestyle consultation, testing, recommendations, discussion, sale of food, nutrition, nutritional supplements, vitamins or minerals, food grade herbs, or other nutrients pertain to the functional health/whole body concept.
2. **NO GUARANTEE:** I have been informed that the methods of nutritional evaluation or testing made available to me are not intended to diagnose disease from an allopathic model of medicine. Rather, they are intended as a guide to developing an appropriate overall health-supportive program for me, and to monitor progress in achieving goals. I further understand that any recommendations are supportive in nature allowing the body to return to improved health. Like all other health care, results are not guaranteed and there is no promise to cure. Accordingly, I understand that payment(s) for services are not conditional on my response to care. Prorated fees for unused, prepaid services, however, will be refunded if I wish to cancel. No refunds will be available for any products purchased.
3. **RISKS:** I understand the nutritional supplements, vitamins, minerals, food grade herbs, and other nutrients that may be recommended are generally considered safe, however, some nutritional supplements, vitamins, minerals, food grade herbs, and other nutrients may be toxic in large doses. I also understand that nutritional supplements, vitamins, minerals, food grade herbs, and other nutrients may interact with some legend drugs. Accordingly, I agree to consult with my prescribing physician about any legend drugs I am taking and the impact of supplements, vitamins, minerals, food grade herbs, and other nutrients on such drugs. I will inform my health practitioner if I experience gastrointestinal upset (nausea, gas, stomachache, vomiting), allergic reactions (hives, rashes, itching, tingling of the tongue, headache), or any unanticipated or unpleasant effects associated with the nutritional supplements, vitamins, minerals, food grade herbs, and other nutrients.
4. **PREGNANCY:** I understand that some nutritional supplements, vitamins, minerals, food grade herbs, and other nutrients may be inappropriate during pregnancy, and I will notify the health practitioner if I am or become pregnant.
5. **ALTERNATIVES:** I understand that the alternatives to the recommendations include doing nothing and/or seeking additional allopathic medical care.
6. **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:** I have read and fully understand this consent form, and understand that I should not sign this form if all items, including all my questions, have not been explained or answered to my satisfaction or if I do not understand any of the terms or words contained in this consent form.

DO NOT SIGN UNLESS YOU HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS FORM!

I have read and fully understand this consent. All items have been explained, I have had sufficient time to evaluate the information, and my questions have been answered. Knowing the alternatives and risks, I consent to the services.

Signature _____ Date _____

Name (printed) _____