

## Axia Women's Health

### Telemedicine Consent

#### Introduction

Telemedicine involves the use of electronic communications to provide healthcare services to you. This may include use of a patient portal, tablet or smart phone to share information about you with your healthcare provider or by your healthcare provider. The information may be used for consultation, diagnosis, therapy, follow-up and/or education, and may include any of the following:

- Patient medical records
- Medical images
- Live two-way audio and video
- Output data from medical devices and sound and video files

Electronic communications will be performed through a third-party software and system that includes security safeguards to protect the confidentiality of your information and will include measures to safeguard the data.

#### Expected Benefits:

- Improved access to medical care that may enable a patient to remain at home and consult with or receive treatment by a physician or other healthcare provider from their office.
- More efficient medical evaluation and management.
- Obtaining expertise of a distant specialist.

#### Possible Risks:

There are potential risks associated with the use of telemedicine. These risks include, but may not be limited to:

- In rare cases, information transmitted may not be sufficient (e.g. poor resolution of images) to allow for appropriate medical decision making by the physician and consultant(s);
- Delays in medical evaluation and treatment could occur due to deficiencies or failures of the equipment;
- In very rare instances, security safeguards could fail, causing a breach of privacy of your information;
- In rare cases, a lack of access to complete medical records may result in adverse drug interactions or allergic reactions or other judgment errors.

#### Notice of Privacy Practices:

- Our Notice of Privacy Practices may be found at <https://axiawh.com/>
- The Practice will use or disclose your information only as permitted by its Notice of Privacy Practices.

#### By signing this form, I understand the following:

1. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) viral disease to be a pandemic and recommending social distancing to help slow the spread of the virus. I understand that it is within this context that I am being offered "telehealth", rather than a face-to-face visit. I understand potential risks and limitations of this mode of treatment (including, but not limited to, the absence of in-person examination) and agree to be treated in a remote fashion in spite of them.

2. I understand that the laws that protect privacy and the confidentiality of medical information also apply to telemedicine, and that no information obtained in the use of telemedicine which identifies me will be disclosed to researchers or other entities without my consent.
3. I understand that I have the right to withhold or withdraw my consent to the use of telemedicine in the course of my care at any time, without affecting my right to future care or treatment.
4. I understand that I have the right to inspect all information obtained and recorded in the course of a telemedicine interaction and may receive copies of this information for a reasonable fee.
5. I understand that a variety of alternative methods of medical care may be available to me, and that I may choose one or more of these at any time. My healthcare provider has explained the alternatives to my satisfaction.
6. I understand that telemedicine may involve electronic communication of my personal medical information to other medical practitioners who may be located in other areas, including out of state.
7. I understand that it is my duty to inform my physician of electronic interactions regarding my care that I may have with other healthcare providers.
8. I understand that I may expect the anticipated benefits from the use of telemedicine in my care, but that no results can be guaranteed or assured.
9. I understand that I should contact my physician for worsening conditions or problems, and seek emergency medical treatment and/or call 911 as necessary.

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Patient or Guardian Signature

Date

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Printed Name

Relationship