# EMAIL COMMUNICATION OF HEALTH INFORMATION FACT SHEET AND CONSENT FORM

As a patient of Healthy Feet Podiatry, you may request that we communicate with you via encrypted electronic mail (email). This Fact Sheet will inform you of the risks of communicating with your healthcare provider via email. Your health is important to us and we will make every effort to reasonably comply with your request to receive communications via email, however, we reserve the right to deny any request for email communications when it is determined that granting such a request would not be in your best interest.

# PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY

Healthy Feet Podiatry will make every effort to promptly respond to your requests for information via email, however, *if you are experiencing an emergency, you should never rely on email communications and should seek immediate medical attention.* 

## Risks of using email to send protected health information are included, but not limited to:

- Risk of Unauthorized Access by a 3<sup>rd</sup> Party: Do you share a computer with your family? Is your email address or access to email provided through your employer? Do you access your email over an unsecured connection such as public Wi-Fi? Do you access your email on your mobile device? Emails may be accessed by someone you do not wish to know about your health information. Despite necessary precautions, email may be sent to the wrong address by either party. Email may be intercepted or altered in transmission by a computer hacker or computer virus.
- Unique difficulty in Verifying the Sender: Email may be easier to forge than handwritten or signed papers. Healthy Feet Podiatry will only send emails to the email address provided, but it may be difficult to confirm that you are in fact the person sending the request for information from your email address.

### **Procedures**

- Emails are not checked outside of normal business hours- this includes overnight, on weekends or holidays.
- Please call Healthy Feet Podiatry at 813-875-0555 to confirm that your request was received if you have not received a response by email or telephone within a few hours.
- If at any time you change your email address or wish to discontinue email communications altogether, you must notify Healthy Feet Podiatry.

#### PATIENT CONSENT TO UNENCRYPTED EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS

By signing below, you acknowledge your recognition and understanding of the inherent risks of communicating your health information via encrypted email and hereby consent to receive such communications despite those risks. Messages containing clinically relevant information may be incorporated into the medical record at the provider's discretion.

By signing below, you also acknowledge that you have the choice to receive communications via other more secure means such as by telephone or mail. By signing below, you agree to hold Healthy Feet Podiatry harmless for unauthorized use, disclosure, or access of your protected health information sent to the email address you provide.

Client Email Address:		
Client Signature:	Date of Birth:	
Client Name (printed):	Date:	

If signed by someone other than the Patient, state your relationship to the Patient and a description of your authority to act on the Patient's behalf:

# Healthy Feet Podiatry

WE ARE VERY PLEASE TO HAVE YOU WITH US! Please answer the following questions to help us become acquainted.

Date How did you	hear about us? (Be Specif	<mark>fic Please)</mark>						
First Name	Last Name	Middle	Age Birthda	te//				
Sex: M F SS#	HT WT	Employer Name						
Home Address	City		State	Zip				
Home# ( )	Cell# ( )	<mark>EN</mark>	<mark>IAIL:</mark>					
Name of Parent (if minor) Emergency Contact, Relationship &Number								
Primary Care Physician Name								
PCP Phone #	Date last see	n by PCP						
Pharmacy/Location		Pł	none:					
MEDICATIONS: NONE LIST ATTACHED								

Diabetes

Bleeding Disorders

	High Blood Pressure		Liver Trouble		Osteoporosis/Weak Bones	
	Rheumatic Fever		Leg Cramps		Cancer	
	Kidney Trouble		RSD/CRPS		MRSA Infection	
	Circulation Problems		Asthma		Arthritis	
	Substance Abuse		Stroke		Blood Clots	
	Heart Trouble		Nerve Disorders/Neuropathy		Autoimmune Problems	
	Hepatitis		Fractures (broken bones)		Anesthesia Problems	
	Gout		Bleeding After Surgery		NONE	
	OTHER					
<b>PERSONAL HISTORY- PAST MEDICAL HISTORY</b> If you have, or have had, any of the following, please check:						

**Drug Allergies/Previous Surgeries:** 

Alcohol: YES or NO Tobacco: YES or NO

#### **ATTEST**

I do hereby attest that this information is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any falsification, omission, or concealment of any material fact may subject me to al fees for services and/or other liability. I also understand that I am to notify Healthy Feet Podiatry immediately of any changes to the above information and annually upon the office's request.

Patient Name Printed

Patient Signature/Parent/Guardian/POA

Date