

Patient Name: _____ Patient Identifier: _____

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE RECEIPT OF HEALTHTEXAS PROVIDER NETWORK'S (HTPN) NOTICE OF HEALTH INFORMATION PRACTICES

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) is a federal government regulation designed to ensure that you are aware of your privacy rights and of how your medical information can be used by our staff in providing and arranging your medical care.

Metroplex Surgical Specialists is furnishing you with the attached notice, which provides information about how HTPN and its physicians¹ may use and/or disclose protected health information about you for treatment, payment, health care operations and as otherwise allowed by law. **By signing this form, you acknowledge that you have received a copy of HTPN's *Notice of Health Information Practices*.**

(Signature of Patient or Legal Representative)

(Date)

April 14, 2003
(Effective Date of Notice)

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