Informed Consent for Laser Therapy

Laser Therapy is a non-surgical application of laser light. Unlike most other forms of therapy, laser therapy is classified "actinotherapy" in that it results in a chemical and metabolic change of the involved tissues. As a result, laser therapy can relieve pain, decrease inflammation, accelerate the healing of tissue (biostimulation), increase blood flow and decrease tissue swelling.

Like all forms of medical treatment, there are associate risks as well as benefits. Exposure to the eyers during the procedure may result in damage of the retina. Under certain situations a superficial burn of the skin could occur. This is base upon skin pigmentation, skin discolorations (i.e. tattoos), or the use of topical creams, lotions or analgesic balms.

In order to prevent adverse reactions to laser therapy, all patients must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Wear approved safety goggles during all laser treatment session;
- Avoid the use of any topical creams, lotions or analgesic balms before or immediately after treatment;
- Inform their doctor of any skin conditions including skin sensitivity to light;
- Clean the area of treatment thoroughly prior to your scheduled appointment

By signing below I acknowledge that I wish to proceed with laser therapy which Dr Jeffrey Patterson has deemed to be medically necessary in the care and treatment of my condition.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE PARAGRAPHS. I UNDERSTAND THE INFORMATION PROVIDED. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HAS BEEN EXPLAINED TO ME, AND ALL QUESTIONS WHICH I HAVE ASKED HAVE BEEN ANSWERED TO MY SATISFACTION.
HAVING KNOWLEDGE, I KNOWINGLY AUTHORIZE **Dr Jeffrey Patterson** TO PROCEED WITH MLS LASER THERAPY AND TREATMENT.

Dated this ___ day of _____, 20___,   Horseheads, NY.

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Patient's Name   Age of Minor   Patients Signature OR
                                                     Authorized adult of minor

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                                                     Doctor's Signature