

**The Fertility Center**

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Appointment Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Location: \_\_\_\_\_

**Female Patient**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**A detailed voice message may be left at the following phone number: (\_\_\_\_)**

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ SS#: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Patient's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date Employed: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Full Time/Part Time

**Insurance Carrier:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name of Primary Insured:** \_\_\_\_\_

Claims Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contract/ID Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Group Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Patient: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Name/Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Referring Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Family Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Partner - Please select one of the following (Required): Male \_\_\_\_\_, Female \_\_\_\_\_, No Partner \_\_\_\_\_**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ SS#: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Partner's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date Employed: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Full Time/Part Time

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**Contract Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Group Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Referring Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Family Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**For Office Use Only:**

Updated: \_\_\_\_\_ Init: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Notice of Privacy Practices:** I acknowledge that I have been offered a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices: \_\_\_\_\_  
patient initials

**Right to revoke or terminate:** As stated in our Notice of Privacy Practices, you have the right to revoke or terminate this authorization by submitting a written request to our Privacy Manager. You may revoke an authorization at any time, in writing, except to the extent that your Healthcare Provider or the practice has taken an action in reliance on the use or disclosure indicated in the authorization.

**Limited Patient Authorization for Disclosure of Protected Health Information to an Individual**

*(Please print all information. Authorization is in effect for 12 months with a mandatory requirement of updating annually, unless an earlier termination date is specified. (see below)*

**Patient Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Partner to:** \_\_\_\_\_

'Patient' refers to the person completing this form

**Patient Social Security Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Patient Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Purpose of request (who will be authorized to receive information)** - I authorize **the practice (identified below)** to disclose or provide protected health information, about me to the individual(s) listed below.

**Practice Name:** **Michigan Reproductive and IVF - dba – The Fertility Center**

**Who will be authorized to receive information** (list each family member, friend, or other individual to receive PHI):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of information to be disclosed** - I authorize the practice to disclose the following protected health information about me to the entity, person, or persons identified above:

**Entire patient record; or check only those items of the record to be disclosed:**

office notes     lab results     x-rays; hospital     financial history report (previous 3 years only).

record of HIV and communicable disease testing     record of mental health or substance abuse treatment

**Purpose of disclosure** (please check patient request or record the purpose of the disclosure):

Patient Request     Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Expirations or termination of authorization:** This authorization will expire 12 months from the date of your last signature below, unless you specify an earlier termination. You must renew or submit a new authorization after the date of your last signature to continue the authorization. You have the right to terminate this authorization at any time. You must notify our privacy manager, in writing, if you decide to terminate the authorization prior to the normal expiration date. **Please list date of expiration if earlier than 12 months from date of last signature):** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Non-Conditioning statement:** The practice places no condition to sign this authorization on the delivery of healthcare or treatment.

**Redisclosure:** We have no control over the person(s) you have listed to receive your protected health information. Therefore, your protected health information disclosed under this authorization will no longer be protected by the requirements of the Privacy Rule and will no longer be the responsibility of the practice. (You have the right to receive a copy of signed authorizations upon request.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
patient signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
date (expires in 12 months)

**FINANCIAL POLICY**

Insurance coverage for infertility varies. Many insurance companies do not cover infertility. For this reason we ask that you pay all fees at the time of service. We do not offer payment arrangements for any services. Financing is available through Advance Care. Please contact the billing department for more information.

We will submit a claim as a courtesy for all services rendered except for Tricare, VA, BCN Lab Services, Medicaid, and Aetna. If you are an Aetna patient, we will issue an itemized receipt for you to submit to Aetna for reimbursement. Please provide us with your current insurance information. If your insurance changes, please update us as soon as possible to ensure your claim is submitted correctly and timely. **Please note that your insurance policy is a contract between you and your insurance company, therefore it is your responsibility to know and understand your contractual obligations and limitations.**

During the course of your treatment at The Fertility Center you may wish to have a telephone consult. Telephone consults are billed to insurance companies, are rarely covered, and will be the patient's responsibility.

During your treatment plan should you have an ultrasound at another facility, there is a \$115 per cycle outside monitoring fee that is not billable to your insurance company.

Should you be interested in pursuing ART (Assisted Reproductive Technologies), you must initially pay a non refundable ART Case Management fee in order to reserve a month for your procedure. Your actual procedure **must** be prepaid prior to your procedure. A financial consult will be done so that you will have an approximate range for costs of your procedure.

In some cases surgery may be required to treat your condition. We will bill your insurance for this, however, if you have insurance we do not participate with, you will be required to pay in full for your surgery within 30 days of the procedure.

**Any outstanding balances must be resolved prior to beginning each treatment cycle.** However, in the event of an emergency, care will be provided regardless of outstanding financial obligations.

Failure to pay any balances in a timely manner will result in a referral to a collection agency. In addition to the effect collection action will have on your credit rating, future services by The Fertility Center will not be provided until the balance is paid in full.

There is a \$35.00 charge for obtaining records.

For your convenience, we accept the following forms of payment: cash, check, credit card, and money order. We charge a service fee of \$25.00 for all returned checks. **All office fees are approximate and subject to change without notice.**

**No Show policy: We require 48 hours notice to cancel an appointment. You will be charged ½ the visit cost if you fail to show or contact the office. You will be charged \$25.00 if you contact the office in less than 48 hours. There will be no charge if you cancel with a 48 hour notice. A credit card will be required to schedule a new patient appointment in event of a no show. There is a \$50 no show fee for retrograde appointments in our lab.**

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact our office at (616) 988-2229.

**Acknowledgement of Payment Responsibility**

I have read and understand the Financial Policy of The Fertility Center and agree to its terms. I understand that I am financially responsible for any services provided by The Fertility Center, including any items denied or not covered by my insurance and any yearly deductible or copayment amounts. I acknowledge all outstanding balances for services are to be resolved within 30 days.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

10/17 (Patient or Parent/Guardian if minor)

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**CONSENT FOR TREATMENT**

Knowing that I require diagnostic testing, medical treatment or hospitalization, I voluntarily consent to the medical treatment deemed necessary in the judgment of my treating physicians. I am aware that the practice of medicine and surgery is not an exact science, and I acknowledge that no guarantees have been made to me regarding the results of examination, tests, or treatments. I understand that if major diagnostic studies or treatment procedures such as surgery are required, I will be asked to give specific consent to those procedures. If I am an obstetrical patient, I understand that my signature consents to the care and treatment of my fetus.

**MY MEDICAL INFORMATION**

I understand that The Fertility Center will keep my medical information according to state law, federal law, and policy. I also understand that my information will be stored electronically and may be sent to or received from other healthcare providers and/or payers electronically. This includes treatments and medicine or prescription information about me, including drug or alcohol use. In some cases, The Fertility Center is required by law to report information to an agency like the health department. This may prevent other diseases. I understand I can ask additional questions before signing this consent.

**I have read the above information or have had it explained to me, and indicate my understanding of same, by signing this document.**

*\*Please note: 'Patient Name' refers to the person completing this form.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Current Fertility Center Patient (Spouse/Partner – Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
The Fertility Center Staff Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*\*If this consent form is not signed in the presence of a member of The Fertility Center staff, form **must** be notarized below:*

Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ County, Michigan

Acting in the County of \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires:

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**CONSENT FOR HIV TESTING**

HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) infection is a long-term illness that damages the body's immune system and its ability to fight diseases. HIV can cause AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome), the stage of HIV when the body is weakened and less able to fight off germs. HIV spreads through blood, semen, vaginal fluids, and breast milk. You can get or give an HIV infection by having vaginal, anal, or oral sex without a condom or sharing needles or works when injecting drugs. An infected mother can pass HIV to her child during pregnancy, birth or breastfeeding. You cannot get HIV by donating blood or through casual contact like hugging or shaking hands.

People can have HIV for years and not know it unless they get tested. If you **are infected**, it can help you get proper treatment and learn how to avoid spreading HIV to other people. If you **are not infected**, it can help you learn how to reduce your risk of getting HIV.

HIV testing: A **negative result** means you are not infected with HIV or you have a recent infection, too early to show up positive. If you have been exposed to HIV in the last six weeks, the test may not detect a new infection. A **positive result** means you are living with HIV. This means you can pass your infection to others through sex, sharing needles, through birth or breastfeeding. You should take precautions to avoid infecting others.

I understand I can ask additional questions before signing this consent and may ultimately refuse to sign it. My physician will review my treatment options at The Fertility Center, should I refuse HIV testing. I understand HIV test results are confidential and shall not be released without my permission, except as permitted under state law. I understand that I have a right to have this test done without the use of my name at any Michigan Department of Health-approved HIV counseling and testing site.

I acknowledge that I have been given an explanation of the test, including its uses, benefits, limitations, and the meaning of test results. I understand that I have the right to withdraw my consent for the test at any time before the test is complete. By my signature below, I consent to be tested for HIV.

I consent to HIV Testing.

I do not consent to HIV Testing

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*\*Please Note: Our credentialing agencies require that all In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) patients complete this test.*

**I have read the above information or have had it explained to me, and indicate my understanding of same, by signing this document.**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Current Fertility Center Patient (Spouse/Partner – Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
The Fertility Center Staff Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

1100 S. Cedar St., Suite B  
Mason MI 48854  
616-988-2229

Physicians: William Dodds, MD  
James Young, MD  
Valerie Shavell, MD  
Mili Thakur, MD

## Review of Systems/Medical History

Do you consistently have any of the problems listed below that are not currently being treated or evaluated by another physician? Please check **Yes** or **No** and explain any Yes answers in the space provided.

### Constitutional Symptoms

	YES	NO
Activity change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Appetite change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sweating at night	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fatigue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fever	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unexpted weight loss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### HEENT

	YES	NO
Ear discharge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hearing loss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ear pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ears ringing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nosebleeds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Congestion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Runny nose	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sneezing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sore throat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hoarse voice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Eyes

	YES	NO
Eye discharge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eye itching	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eye pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eye redness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Light sensitivity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vision changes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Cardiovascular

	YES	NO
Chest pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Palpitations/racing heart	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Difficulty breathing while lying down	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leg pain with walking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
High cholesterol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Gastrointestinal

	YES	NO
Trouble swallowing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heartburn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nausea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Abdominal pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Constipation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Diarrhea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fecal incontinence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rectal pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rectal bleeding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blood in stool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Genitourinary

	YES	NO
Flank pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urinary incontinence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blood in urine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Painful urination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Difficult urination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urinary frequency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Menopausal symptoms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heavy menses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Painful menses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Musculoskeletal

	YES	NO
Neck pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Back pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joint pain/swelling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Muscle pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gait problems/falls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Osteoporosis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Neurological

	YES	NO
Headaches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dizziness/light headed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speech difficulty	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Loss of consciousness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seizures/tremors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Numbness/tingling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Weakness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Endo/Heme/Aller

	YES	NO
Blood transfusions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adenopathy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bruise/bleed easily	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Env. allergies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Excessive thirst	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frequent thirst	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Psychiatric

	YES	NO
Depression	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Suicidal ideas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anxiety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hallucinations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-injury	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sleep disturbance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hyperactivity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Behavior problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Decreased concentration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Skin

	YES	NO
Itching	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Color change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New/changed spots	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rash	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wound	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nail changes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hair changes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Breast pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Breast mass/lump	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nipple discharge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Respiratory

	YES	NO
Cough	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wheezing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shortness of breath	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chest tightness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Snoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Choking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sputum production	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Name (Print and Sign)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Physician

,MD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Patient Label

The Fertility Center

**ZIKA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**  
Possible Zika Exposure

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ("Patient") Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Partner Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ("Partner") Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

The purpose of this document is to confirm that The Fertility Center, PC (The Fertility Center) has provided Patient (and Partner, if any) with information regarding Zika virus disease (Zika) and concerns about possible exposure to Zika during, or when planning for, pregnancy.

1. Zika is a disease caused by the Zika virus, which is spread to people primarily through the bite of an infected mosquito, but which can also be transmitted sexually through semen from infected males to sexual partners. Additional information about Zika, its symptoms, treatment and prevention, and various travel advisories issued by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), can be found at the following website: [www.cdc.gov/zika](http://www.cdc.gov/zika).
2. It is not known whether infected men who never develop symptoms can transmit Zika virus to their sex partners. Sexual transmission of Zika virus from infected women to their sex partners has not been reported. Sexual transmission of Zika and many other infections, including those caused by other viruses, is reduced by consistent and correct use of condoms.
3. The most common symptoms of Zika are fever, rash, joint pain, and conjunctivitis (red eyes). Zika illness is usually mild with symptoms lasting for several days to a week. For this reason, many people may not realize that they have been infected.
4. **A Zika virus infection during pregnancy can cause a serious birth defect called microcephaly, as well as other severe fetal brain defects.** Additional information about microcephaly can be found on the CDC website at [www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birth-defects/microcephaly.html](http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birth-defects/microcephaly.html).
5. As of November 2016, the majority of the regions affected by Zika are in Central and South America, but mosquito-borne spread of Zika also has been identified in areas of South Florida, as well as the Caribbean, including Puerto Rico. Please refer to the CDC website and Travel Health Notices for an up to date list of places with Zika outbreaks: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/Zika-travel-information>. **It is important to refer to the CDC website if the Patient or Partner is considering travel because the situation is constantly evolving.**
6. **The CDC has issued guidance for pregnant women, and women thinking about becoming pregnant.** Please see [www.cdc.gov/Zika/specific-groups.html](http://www.cdc.gov/Zika/specific-groups.html). The CDC and the American Society for Reproductive Medicine (ASRM) have also issued guidelines for US health care providers caring for pregnant women and women of reproductive age during active Zika virus transmission. The Fertility Center follows these guidelines and strongly encourages Patient (and Partner, if any) to continually monitor the CDC guidance if pregnant or planning to become pregnant.
7. **Based upon the information available regarding the risk to the unborn child and to patients, the physicians at The Fertility Center strongly advise Patient and any Partner NOT to travel to countries or areas with active Zika transmission while attempting pregnancy. Failure to comply with this advice may result in a delay of Patient's treatment.**
8. If Patient (or Partner, if any) has recently traveled to an area with active transmission of Zika virus, or has had sex *without* a condom with a man who has recently traveled to an area with active transmission of Zika virus or is infected with Zika, The Fertility Center will recommend that Patient wait to attempt pregnancy according to the timeframes currently suggested by the CDC and ASRM.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.** By signing below, Patient (and Partner, if any) acknowledges having read and understood this ZIKA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, including:

- the risks of Zika virus infection with respect to becoming pregnant and potential birth defects;
- the importance of consulting the CDC website for up-to-date information on Zika and affected areas; and
- The Fertility Center recommendations regarding planning pregnancy and infertility treatment for individuals infected, exposed, or possibly exposed to Zika virus.

**Signature Page Follows**

Patient Label

The Fertility Center

ZIKA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
Possible Zika Exposure

A signature affirms that the signing individual has read this document and had all questions related to the document answered to the individual's satisfaction.

**SIGNATURE(S):**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Printed Name                                  Patient Signature                                  Date                                  Time

*Witnessed by The Fertility Center clinical staff member (photo ID of Patient required):*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Staff Member                                  Signature of Staff Member                                  Date                                  Time

**Notary required if consent not witnessed by and photo ID not presented to The Fertility Center clinical staff member:**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

SS.: \_\_\_\_\_

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, before me personally came

\_\_\_\_\_ to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he/she acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Partner Printed Name                                  Partner Signature                                  Date                                  Time

*Witnessed by The Fertility Center clinical staff member (photo ID of Patient required):*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Staff Member                                  Signature of Staff Member                                  Date                                  Time

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I have consulted with and explained the contents of this document to the patient and (where applicable) the patient's spouse/ sexually intimate partner.

All question(s) concerning the procedures have been answered.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Physician Printed Name                                  Physician Signature                                  Date                                  Time