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NOTICE OF DEEMED CONSENT TO BLOOD TESTING

A new Virginia law was enacted in 1989 that allows health care providers to test their patients for HIV antibodies when a health care worker is exposed to the blood or body fluids of a patient in a way which may transmit human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), the virus which causes AIDS. Because of this Law, in the event of such an exposure, you will be deemed to have consented to such testing, and to have consented to the release of the test results to the exposed health worker. Except in emergencies, you will be informed before any of your blood is tested for HIV antibodies, the testing will be explained to you and you will be given the opportunity to ask any questions you might have.

You will be provided with the test results and appropriate counseling. Test results, if positive are required by law to be reported to the Virginia Department of Health.

I have read and understand the above "Notice of Deemed Consent to HIV Blood Testing."

Patient Signature

Date