SUMMARY OF NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES ESSEX UNION PODIATRY

The attached Notice of Privacy Practices contains a detailed description of how our office will protect your health information, your rights as a patient and our common practices in dealing with patient health information.

Uses and disclosures of health information

We will use and disclose our health information in order to treat you or to assist other health care providers in treating you. We will also use and disclose your health information in order to obtain payment for our services or to allow insurance companies to process insurance claims for services rendered to you by us or other healthcare providers. Finally, we may disclose your health information for certain limited operational activities such as quality assessment, licensing, accreditation and training of students.

Uses and disclosures based on your authorization

Except as stated in more detail in the Notice of Privacy Practices, we will not use or discuss your health information without your written authorization.

Uses and disclosures not requiring your authorization

For certain limited research purpose

For purposes of public health and safety

To Government Agencies for purposes of their audits, investigations and other oversight activities.

To the FDA to report product defects or incidents

To law enforcement authorities to protect public safety or to assist in apprehending criminal offenders.

When required by court orders, search warrants, subpoenas and as otherwise required by law

Patient Rights: As our patient you have the following rights

To have access to and/or a copy of your health information

To receive an accounting of certain disclosures we have made of your health information

To request restrictions as to how your health information is used or disclosed

To request that we communicate with you in confidence

To request that we amend your health information

To receive notice our of privacy practices

If you have any questions, concerns or complaints regarding our privacy practices, please refer to the Notice of Privacy Practices in each office waiting room.

Acknowledgement of Rece	pt of Privacy Practices		
Patient name	Date	Signature	

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF MEDICAL RECORDS

HIPAA regulations do not allow for the release of medical information without your expressed authorization. Please list below any individual you authorize to receive medical information on your behalf.

Name	Relationship
Name	Relationship
Name	Relationship
Patient Signature	Date
Parent or Authorized Representative(if applicable)	Date
At this time I choose to not designate anyone	Initial