

Consent to Treatment

By signing below, I do voluntarily consent to be treated with acupuncture, massage and/or herbal medicine by Anna Klein, licensed acupuncture physician.

Acupuncture/Moxibustion: I understand that acupuncture is performed by the insertion of needles through the skin or by the application of heat to the skin (or both) at certain points on or near the surface of the body in an attempt to treat bodily dysfunction or diseases, to modify or prevent pain perception, and to normalize the body's physiological functions. I am aware that certain adverse side effects may result. These could include, but are not limited to: local bruising, minor bleeding, fainting, pain or discomfort, and the possible aggravation of symptoms existing prior to acupuncture treatment. I understand that no guarantees concerning its use and effects are given to me and that I am free to stop acupuncture treatment at any time.

Direct Moxibustion: I understand that if I receive direct moxibustion as part of therapy, there is a risk of burning or scarring from its use. I understand that I may refuse this therapy.

Herbal Medicine: I understand that herbal medicine may be recommended to me to treat bodily dysfunction or diseases, to modify or prevent pain perception, and to normalize the body's physiological functions. I understand that I am not required to take these substances but must follow the directions for administration and dosage if I do decide to take them. I am aware that certain adverse side effect may result from taking these substances. These could include, but are not limited to: changes in bowel movement, abdominal pain or discomfort, and the possible aggravation of symptoms existing prior to herbal treatment. *Should I experience any problems, which I associate with these substances, I should suspend taking them and call the clinic as soon as possible.*

Massage Therapy: I understand that I may also be given massage as part of my treatment to modify or prevent pain perception and to normalize the body's physiological functions. I am aware that certain adverse side effects may result from this treatment. These could include, but are not limited to: bruising, sore muscles or aches, and the possible aggravation of symptoms existing prior to treatment. I understand that I may stop the treatment if it is too uncomfortable.

Electro-Acupuncture: I understand that I may be asked to have electro-acupuncture administered with the acupuncture. I am aware that certain adverse side effects may result. These may include, but are not limited to: electrical shock, pain or discomfort, and the possible aggravation of symptoms existing prior to treatment. I understand that I may refuse this treatment.

Treatment outcomes: I understand that no promises or guarantees can be made regarding the outcome of treatment and that reasonable efforts will be made to give me information so that I might make educated decisions regarding the duration and appropriateness of continued care. I understand that I may stop treatment at any time.

Western Biomedical Diagnosis: I understand that it is not within the scope of practice for acupuncturists to offer Western medical diagnosis and that it is my responsibility to seek such diagnosis elsewhere if I have not already done so.

I have/ have not (*circle one*) been examined by a licensed physician or other licensed health care provided with regard to my illness or injury. If yes, I have informed this clinic of my diagnosis.

I do/ do not (*circle one*) have a pacemaker or bleeding disorder.

I have carefully read and understand all of the above information and am fully aware of what I am signing. I understand that I may ask my practitioner for a more detailed explanation. I give my permission and consent to treatment.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____