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CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

NOTICE OF INFORMATION PRIVACY PRACTICES

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW CAREFULLY.

Introduction:

At the office of Nadim M. Zacca, M.D., P.A. we are committed to treating and using protected health information about you responsibly. This notice of <u>Health</u> <u>Information Privacy Practices</u> describes the personal information we collected and how and when we disclose that information. It also describes your rights as they relate to our protected health information. This notice applies to all protected health information as defined by federal regulations.

Understanding your Health Record Information:

Each time you visit Nadim M. Zacca, M.D., P.A., a record of your visit is made; typically, this contains your symptoms, examination and test results, diagnoses, treatment and plan for your future care or treatment. This information, often referred as your health or medical record, serves as a:

- Basis for planning your care and treatment.
- Means of communication among the many health professionals who contribute to your care.
- Legal document describing the care you received.
- Means by which a third-party payer can verify the services billed were provided.
- A tool in educating health professionals.
- A source of information for public health officials in charged with improving the health of the state of the nation.
- A source of data for our planning and marketing.
- A tool with which we can assess and continually work t o improve the care we render and the outcomes we achieve.