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## **Authorization and Consent To Send Unencrypted Patient Information by Email and Other Electronic Means**

Until I tell you in writing to stop, I authorize Olson & White Orthodontics to transmit patient information relating to my treatment, health, or payment by email or other electronic means, without encryption or special security precautions, to me or someone I designate, or to other health care providers, health plans and others involved in my treatment, payment for my treatment, or Olson & White Orthodontics health care operations. The patient information that may be emailed may include my x-rays, health history, diagnosis, treatment, and payment records.

I understand that:

- I do not have to sign this form.
- My treatment, payment, enrollment and eligibility for benefits will not be affected by my decision about signing this form.
- If I don't sign this form, Olson & White Orthodontics may use other ways to send my information, such as U.S. Mail, or may ask me to send my information to third parties myself.
- There is some risk that emails and other electronic messages may be improperly acquired by hackers or received by unintended recipients. If that happens, the information may be re-disclosed and no longer protected by privacy law.
- Olson & White Orthodontics does not email such sensitive personal information as Social Security number, credit card number, mental health diagnosis, genetic information, alcohol/substance abuse, or positive HIV status unless the patient insists.

I can tell you in writing to stop emailing my patient information at any time, but if I do so, this will not affect emails that Olson & White Orthodontics already sent before receiving my written instructions to stop.

Patient name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

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

