North Crescent Surgery Center

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PRIVATE CONTRACT

THIS AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO AND BETWEEN THE ATLANTA WOMEN'S HEALTH GROUP (AWHG) PHYSICIAN, NORTH CRESCENT SURGERY CENTER (NCSC), AND THE PATIENT

The Patient is to read and acknowledge understanding of the following:

- 1. NCSC and AWHG will collect in advance all required deductibles, co-insurances & co-pays and following the surgery submit a claim to the patient's Non-Government Insurance * carrier. All balances are the patient's responsibility.
- 2. The patient agrees to be fully responsible for the payment of all items or services furnished by the AWHG physician and North Crescent Surgery Center not covered by her insurance.
- 3. North Crescent Surgery Center is not contracted with and does not participate in any Government Insurance ** plans. AWHG physicians have opted out of all Government Insurances including the Medicare program and is not excluded from participating in Medicare under Sections 1128, 1156, or 1892 of the Social Security Act.
- 4. The patient agrees not to submit a claim to any Government Insurance agency, or to ask the physician or North Crescent Surgery Center to submit a claim to any Government Insurance agency.
- 5. The patient understands that the Government Insurance limits do not apply to what the physician may charge for any and all items or services furnished by him/her or his/her practice, NORTH CRESCENT SURGERY CENTER, including, but not limited to, surgery procedures and diagnostic testing.
- 6. The patient understands that Government Insurance payments will not be made for any items or services furnished by the physician or his/her practice, North Crescent Surgery Center, including, but not limited to, surgery procedures and diagnostic testing that would have otherwise been covered by a Government Insurance, if there was no private contract and a proper Government Insurance claim had been submitted.
- 7. The patient enters into the contract with knowledge that if she is eligible she has the right to obtain Government Insurance -covered items and services from physicians and surgery centers who have not opted out of the Government Insurance, and that the patient is not compelled to enter into private contracts that apply to other Government Insurance - covered services furnished by other physicians or surgery centers who have not opted out.
- 8. The patient understands that Medigap will not (and other supplemental plans may elect not to) make payments for items and services not paid for by the Government Insurance.

*Non-Government Insurance carriers include but are not limited to: BCBS, Aetna, Humana, UHC, Coventry, Cigna, Golden Rule, PHCS, and Great West. Included within the different Non-Government Insurance carriers are the different plans such as the HMO, POS, and PPO plans.

** **Government Insurances** include but are not limited to the following: Medicare including Medicare Advantage Plans / WellCare of Georgia / Medigap Medicaid including Amerigroup Community Care / Peach State Health Plan / WellCare of Georgia Tricare including Champus / VA / Champ VA