**INFORMED CONSENT FOR ACUPUNCTURE TREATMENT** Acupuncture involves the insertion of special needles into particular points on the body. The purpose of this treatment is to prevent or reduce pain and to help your body function better. There are some risks to treatment, including the possibility of bruising of the skin and/or slight bleeding, weakness, fainting, and/or the aggravation of symptoms existing prior to acupuncture treatment. There is little to no risk of infection when all needles are sterile. CRA uses only

one-time use, sterile disposable needles. We do not reuse needles, even at different areas of the body for the same person. CRA does not provide primary care, nor Western (allopathic) medical care. Please see your medical doctor for those services and for routine check-ups. If you are pregnant, have a bleeding disorder, pacemaker, high blood pressure, local infection, or have been prescribed anticoagulant medications like Coumadin, we can still treat you but

should be made aware of your condition.By signing below you state that you have informed your acupuncturist of such conditions.

**PRIVACY POLICY**

In accordance with HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) regulation and California Law, BAP takes the right to your privacy seriously. Therefore, we do not disclose any personal, health, financial, or any other information about you, or the services we provide to you to any third parties without your request or permission. This also includes online services we provide, including access to your appointment information, user-ID, or password. As healthcare practitioners and administrators, we are also responsible for staying up-to-date with HIPAA regulations and for properly training all staff members and new employees to insure that your personal health information is not compromised. If at any time you have a concern or complaint about your privacy, please contact CRA’s privacy officer, or the Office of Civil Rights of the US Department of Health and Human Services.

**FINANCIAL POLICY**

CRA makes every attempt to make alternative healthcare, specifically acupuncture and Chinese medicine, available to as many people as possible, at the most affordable rates. In respect of

our intention to offer high-quality health care at affordable prices, we ask for at least 12-hour advance notice if it is necessary to cancel an appointment. All appointments that are cancelled with less than 12-hour advance notice, and appointments missed without notice, will be charged

$15 for that appointment. If appointments have been purchased in a package, the missed

or cancelled appointment will be deducted from the number of remaining appointments in that package. Thank you for your understanding.

By signing below, I agree to the policies, consents and release of liability as set forth on the entirety of this document.

Signature

Date