

# SANTA FE CENTER FOR ALLERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL MEDICINE

## *Disclaimer Form and Statement of Intent*

In this day and age of “modern” medicine, we ask of our patients to read and sign this form for our records.

You should know that medicine is not an exact science. As such, much of medicine is indeed an art. The better the physician, the more sophisticated the art. Unfortunately, medical insurance carriers have no need for art - they demand science. However, since so many of our patients are so severely ill that their treatment has evaded the scientists, we tend to employ a considerable measure of art.

To simplify: I must often resort to my many years of experience in medicine to help my patients. This often means I use techniques not considered “standard” in medicine today. In fact, insurance carriers go so far as to classify many of the established techniques of Environmental Medicine as “experimental” or “investigational.” I feel this is ludicrous, but it’s a fact of life. On the other hand, some of the techniques I employ in my office to get my patients well are indeed new, and therefore will always be considered by *somebody* to be “investigational.”

To sum this all up, and to insure my patients get the finest and most thorough treatment available anywhere today, I have - over the years - created my own protocols. I am in the business of trying as hard as I can to get you well. Since this cannot possibly be done for many of my patients using “conventional” therapy (drugs), I will often simply use what works, conventional or not.

I ask that you sign this form, acknowledging you understand that I will do my best to get you well with or without traditional therapy, and acknowledging you understand we may not always use “approved “ techniques, and that sometimes these methods may be considered “investigational”.

Remember that my duty to you is first do no harm, and that is generally why I try to avoid dangerous drugs and invasive procedures. By signing this form, you acknowledge that you understand I am not perfect, and that you will not hold us liable if we use “investigational” therapy, as long as we take great care to first do no harm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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