

## VIDEO CONSULTATION CONSENT FORM

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Video consultations are offered as a convenience for our patients who are travelling from a long distance away or from out of town. Prior to your video consultation, it is important that you understand the benefits and risks of video consultation.

During your consultation, you understand that the doctor will evaluate your concerns based upon the information provided in consultation and the images seen through video conference. It is also important to know that video evaluation is not a means of true medical examination and that no specific diagnosis or medical advice can be given until an in-person, real-time consultation was made.

You understand that Dr. Michelle Lee and PERK plastic surgery will be providing general information and education about possible procedures. However, an in-person consultation will be necessary prior to making final determinations for surgery. You understand that the procedure or procedures discussed may change once you have been evaluated in person.

A video consultation is not a substitute for a medical exam. If you have any urgent concerns, please seek medical attention immediately.

No prescriptions can be provided to patients without an in person office evaluation.

By signing below, you acknowledge that you understand that even protected internet connections may not be Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) compliant. By accepting this method of communication, you waived this right with video consultation. You retain the option to withhold or withdraw consent to video conferencing at any time without affecting the right to future care or treatment.

The risks involved with video conference include the potential release of private information due to the complexities and abnormalities involved with the Internet. Viruses, Trojans, and other involuntary intrusions have the ability to grab and released information you may desire to keep private. Furthermore, there is the risk of being overhead by anyone near you if you do not place yourself in a private area and open to other's intrusion. It is your responsibility to create an environment on your end of the video conference transmission that is not subject to unexpected or unauthorized intrusion of your personal information. It is PERK plastic surgery's responsibility for the clinician to do the same. Please not that one major issue with Facetime or Skype is that they have not declared HIPAA compliance or signed a BAA (Business Associate Agreement), a necessary requirement for HIPAA compliance. This means that Facetime or Skype do not disclose security breaches or findings from security audits. Therefore, if you use Facetime or Skype, you do so knowing that you are using a vendor who has declared that they won't give providers a "Business Associate Agreement," as mandated by HIPAA.

You agree that you have been verbally informed in addition to this written informed consent regarding the use of video conference.