

ADVANCED GASTROENTEROLOGY OF BERGEN COUNTY, P.A.

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ASSURANCE OF PRIVACY FOR OUR PATIENTS

To Our Trusted and Valued Patient:

The Department of Health and Human Services has established a "Privacy Rule" to help insure that personal health information (PHI) is protected for privacy. The Privacy Rule provides standards for health care providers to follow when disclosing patient health information that is needed to carry out proper treatment, payment or health care operations.

As our patient, we want you to know that we respect the privacy of your personal medical records and will do all we can to secure and protect that privacy. We strive to always take reasonable precautions to protect your privacy. You will be asked to authorize release of personal health information to any party that is not directly connected to your treatment, payment or health care operations.

In order to protect your privacy, and in accordance with Federal Law, we require your written consent to leave detailed messages on your home answering machine and / or with other members of your household. In addition, we are frequently given work numbers and cell phone numbers to contact patients for the purpose of confirming appointments or returning phone calls and now require your written consent to continue this practice.

I have read the above Notice of Privacy and give consent to Drs. Chessler, Zingler, Spinnell, Meininger and/or Fiorillo and their staff to:

1. Leave detailed messages on my home answering machine and / or with other members of my household.
2. Contact me at my place of employment for the purpose of confirming appointments and / or returning phone calls.
3. Contact me on my cell phone and / or leave messages on my cell phone. My cell phone number is:

Cell Phone Number

Print Name

Signature

Date