Authorization for Liver Transplant

Patient’s Name: ___________________________________

I hereby authorize Dr._____________________________ to perform the following surgery:

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I understand that residents, medical students, physician assistants and/or advanced practice registered nurses may also be in attendance, and/or assisting in the performance, and/or performing significant medical/surgical tasks within the above specified surgery. In addition, I understand that there may be unforeseen circumstances that are encountered while performing the above listed surgery that require the assistance of other qualified medical personnel who have not been identified.

I have had explained to me in connection with the proposed surgery: (i) the nature and purpose of the proposed surgery; (ii) the foreseeable risks and consequences of the proposed surgery, including the risk that the proposed surgery may not achieve the desired objective; (iii), the alternatives to the proposed surgery and the associated risks and benefits to such alternatives; and (iv) the reasonably foreseeable risks and alternatives to the transfusion of blood and blood products should I need a blood transfusion.

I have been informed of the Hartford Hospital Transplant Center’s most recent SRTR data, my right to refuse transplant or treatment and the specific risks associated with the organ I am to receive.

Specifically, in obtaining my informed consent to the surgery, I have been informed of the following reasonably foreseeable risks:

- Bowel obstruction or perforation
- Liver organ non-function
- Liver organ poor function
- Bile duct leak or narrowing
- Bleeding
- Possible need for re-transplant and reoperation
- Anesthesia risks
- Need for transfusion of blood products
- Clotting of liver blood vessels
- Blood clot in lungs or legs
- Recurrent disease in new liver
- Death
- Pneumonia
- Heart attack
- Wound infection
- Systemic infection
- Fluid Collection

There is no comprehensive way to screen potential donors for all transmissible diseases and on occasion, infectious agents, donor-associated tumors or genetic diseases may be identified after transplantation.

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The Public Health Service (2013) has identified certain organs as being at higher risk of transmitting infectious disease when they are used for transplant. Receiving any donor organ carries a risk of receiving an organ with compromised function and/or the transmission of diseases despite appropriate screening and negative findings. These infectious diseases include but are not restricted to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), Hepatitis C (HCV) and Hepatitis B (HBV).

☐ The liver we are offering you is at increased risk for disease transmission due to the following donor behaviors as identified by the Public Health Service. (2013)

☐ Not applicable

☐ Chagas Disease -Recent travel of donor or donor originally from South America with risk of exposure to Tripanosoma Cruzi
☐ People who have had sex with a person known or suspected to have HIV, HBV or HCV infections in the preceding 12 months.
☐ Men who have had sex with other men in the preceding 12 months.
☐ Women who have had sex with a man with a history of MSM behavior in the preceding 12 months.
☐ Persons who report non-medical intravenous, intramuscular or subcutaneous injection of drugs in the preceding 12 months.
☐ People who have engaged in sex in exchange for money or drugs in the preceding 12 months.
☐ People who have had sex with a person who had sex in exchange for money or drugs in the preceding 12 months.
☐ People who have had sex with a person that has injected drugs by IV, IM or sub-Q route for non-medical reasons in the preceding 12 months.
☐ People who have been in lockup, jail, prison, or a juvenile correctional facility for more than 72 hours in the preceding 12 months.
☐ People who have been newly diagnosed with or have been treated for syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia or genital ulcers in the preceding 12 months.
☐ People who have been on hemodialysis in the preceding 12 months. **Donors who meet this criteria are at increased risk for HCV infection only.**
☐ A child who is ≤ to 18 months of age and born to a mother known to be infected with or at increased risk for HIV, HBV, or HCV infections.
☐ A child who has been breastfed within the preceding 12 months and the mother is known to be infected with, or at increased risk for HIV infection.
☐ When a deceased potential organ donor’s medical/behavioral history cannot be obtained or risk factors cannot be determined, the donor should be considered at increased risk for HIV HBV and HCV infection because the donor’s risk is unknown.
☐ When a deceased potential organ donor’s blood is diluted (because of transfusions or intravenous fluids), the donor should be considered at increased risk for HIV HBV and HCV infection because the donor’s risk for infection is unknown.
☐ The liver we are offering you is considered an Expanded Criteria donor liver for the following reasons:

☐ Donor over age 65
☐ Fatty liver - greater than 30% macrosteatosis
☐ Segmental liver graft (liver split into 2 segments)
☐ Hepatitis C positive serology
☐ Hepatitis B positive serology (HBV core antibody)
☐ Central nervous system cancer or history of other non-skin cancer
☐ ABO Incompatible donors
☐ Other (Describe): ____________________________________________

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☐ If my transplant will be from a living donor, I have been informed and understand the risks, benefits and complications specific to a partial living donor transplant.

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I am aware that, in addition to the reasonably foreseeable risks described, there are other foreseeable risks, which have been discussed with me, but are not listed. I affirm that I understand the purpose and potential benefits of the proposed treatment and/or special procedure, that no guarantee has been made to me as to the results that may be obtained, and that an offer has been made to me to answer any of my questions about the proposed surgery.

I agree to the use of anesthesia and/or sedation/analgesia as required, and if applicable, the disposal of any tissue removed.

I also authorize the Hospital and the above-named physician(s) to photograph, video and/or use any other mediums which result in the permanent documentation of my image for medical, scientific or educational purposes, provided my identity is not revealed by them. I agree that any photographs taken pursuant to this authorization, which are not required by law to be retained, may be disposed of by the Hospital so long as the manner of disposition shall be permanent destruction.

This consent may be revocable by me at any time, except to the extent it has already been relied upon.

__________________________  Signed: ________________________________
MD/APRN/PA Signature (Patient or legally authorized representative)

Date: ______________ Time: ______________  Date: ______________ Time: ______________

Interpreter responsible for explaining:

____________________________________  Date: ______________ Time: ___________
(Interpreter)

PATIENT UNABLE TO SIGN PRIOR TO SURGERY [ ] BECAUSE:

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____________________________________ M.D.  Date: ______________ Time: ______________

____________________________________ Witness  Date: ______________ Time: ______________