

Screening Breast Thermography Patient Disclosure

***Procedure:** You will be imaged with a state of the art infrared imaging camera in comfortable and controlled surroundings by a highly trained technician. Your thermal imaging baseline reports will provide information about current and future conditions only and **does not diagnose breast disease**. Thermal imaging should be correlated with other medical investigative methods to better direct definitive testing for diagnosis and treatment. It does not replace any other breast examination.*

- I understand that the report generated from my images is intended for use by a trained health care provider to assist in evaluation and treatment. I further understand that the report is not intended to be used by myself for self-evaluation or self-diagnosis. I understand that the report will not tell me whether, I have any illness, diseases, or other conditions, but will be an analysis of the images with respect only to the thermographic findings discussed in the report.
- Breast thermography is a non-contact and non-invasive procedure. The value of thermography as a screening tool is its ability to measure skin temperature changes. **It offers women information that no other procedure can provide regarding breast health.**
- **Breast thermography is not a replacement for or alternative to mammography or any other form of breast imaging.** Breast thermography and mammography are complementary procedures; **one test does not replace the other.** Breast thermography is meant to be used in addition to other tests or procedures.
- Thermography captures and records temperature variations on the skin, which provides vital information directly influenced by complex metabolic and vascular activity. This information **does not in any way suggest diagnosis and/or treatment.** Studies show that the patient benefits when multiple tests are used together. This multimodal approach includes breast self-examinations, physical breast exams by a doctor, mammography, ultrasound, MRI, thermography, and other tests that may be ordered by your doctor.
- ***A reported “Thermographically Suspicious” finding does not indicate that it is suspicious for any specific disease.*** However, any suspicious finding will be accompanied with a strong and intentional recommendation for further clinical evaluation. If you detect a lump or any other change in your breast before your next screening thermogram, consult your doctor immediately.
- ***Notice to patients presenting with previously diagnosed cancer:*** Thermography interpretation in your report **does not include information or recommendations related to the measured changes of disease beyond skin temperature changes and patterns.** As there is no single known test capable of monitoring all biological influences of the complex disease generally diagnosed as cancer, **continued monitoring with available additional testing as recommended by your personal physician is strongly advised.**

- Your Thermographer is a highly skilled technician not a licensed medical professional. Your Thermographer cannot interpret your images or advise or prescribe to you based on your images. Your thermographer can ask health history questions as well as educate you on general breast health.

By Signing below, I certify that I have read and understand the statement above and consent to the examination. I am not an undercover agent or acting on behalf of law enforcement or the media.

Patient Signature _____ Today's Date _____