Affordable Enhancements LLC Informed Consent Medilux[™] Pulsed Light Hair Removal System Hair Removal for dark and light pigmented hair

Customers name:_____ Date:_____

Treatment sites: mono-brow, lip, chin, neck, face, arms, fingers, chest, areola, linea, underarms, back, buttocks, bikini, labia, scrotum, thighs, lower legs, feet, toes______

Previous hair removal methods______(Shaving, tweezing, waxing, depilatories, electrolysis, laser)

I authorize **Veanessa Burbage**, experienced and trained in the art of hair removal, to perform the procedure. I understand that epilation with the MediluxTM pulsed light has been shown to be a safe and effective alternative to waxing, shaving, electrolysis and chemical epilation. The FDA has given the MediluxTM system clearance for permanent hair reduction.

On average, customers will need retreatments monthly when the hair just starts to regrow from a new cycle of hair growth. Once all the cycles are treated, hair will be substantially reduced and thinner. Further treatments will increase the percentage of permanent hair reduction. This is a very effective hair removal system. Most people can expect reduction in hair regrowth within three to six treatments. However, on occasion there are patients that do not respond to treatments.

We are unable to treat clients that are on Accutane and Photosensitizing medications. Clients using Anticoagulants should be noted.

The following problems may occur with the MediluxTM hair removal system.

- 1. The procedure involves cooling the skin before each treatment and after each treatment to protect the skin to minimize the risk of complications. It is fast, comfortable and convenient. The MediluxTM can create bruising and a moderate burn or blisters to the skin. For an effective treatment, the power (joules) need to be just below the blistering point which means the skin will be red, follicles swollen and some sloughing of the skin occurring. Although it is certainly possible to scar with a burn or blister, it has not been a problem with the MediuxTM system. However slight, there is **a risk of scarring.**
- 2. It takes 2-3 weeks for the treated hair to purge out of the follicle with some visible stubble present until the hair comes out of the follicle. Often it is mistaken for regrowth, when it is dead, loose hair trying to work its way out of the hair follicle.
- 3. **Hyperpigmentation** (browning) and **Hypopigmentation** (lightening) have been noted after treatment, especially with a darker complexion. This usually resolves within 3-6 months, but **permanent color change is a rare risk.** If you have a lot of melanin in your skin, a skin lightening cream will be advised to reduce the melanin in your skin before the treatment. Avoiding sun exposure before and after the treatment reduces the risk of color change.
- 4. **Infection:** Although infection following a MediluxTM treatment is unusual, bacterial, fungal and viral infections can occur. Herpes simplex virus infections around the mouth can occur

following a treatment. This applies to both individuals with a past history of herpes simplex virus infections and individuals with no known history of herpes simplex virus infections in the mouth area. Should any type of skin infection occur, additional treatments including antibiotics may be necessary.

5. <u>If you have a history of herpes simplex virus in the treated area, we would recommend</u> preventative therapy.

- 6. **Bleeding:** Pinpoint bleeding is rare but can occur following MediluxTM treatment procedures. Should bleeding occur, additional treatment may be necessary.
- 7. **Pulsed Light smoke (plume):** Although MediluxTM normally involves minimal smoke, the smoke is noxious to those who come in contact with it. This smoke may represent a possible bio-hazard.
- 8. **Skin tissue pathology:** Light pulsed energy directed at skin lesions may potentially vaporize the lesion. Laboratory examination of the tissue specimen may not be possible. Only clearly benign pigmented lesions can be treated.
- 9. Allergic reactions: In rare cases, local allergies to tape, preservatives used in cosmetics or topical preparations have been reported. Systemic reactions (which are more serious) may result from prescription medicines. Allergic reactions may require additional treatments.
- 10. I understand that plucking, waxing, electrolysis and chemical epilation may reduce the effectiveness of the treatment one month prior to the treatment. The hair needs to be in the beginning anagen stage of hair growth for an effective treatment.
- 11. I understand I may need multiple treatments for the desired outcome. We recommend 6 treatments with yearly maintenance touch ups.
- 12. Exposure of my eyes to light could harm my vision. I will keep the eye protection goggles on at all times.
- 13. Compliance with the aftercare guidelines are crucial for healing, prevention of scarring, and hyperpigmentation.
- 14. I release Affordable Enhancements, Dr. Patricia Brown and Veanessa Burbage from these liabilities.

Occasionally, unforeseen mechanical problems may occur and your appointment will need to be rescheduled. We will make every effort to notify you prior to your arrival to the office. Please be understanding if we cause you any inconvenience.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Patient/Guardian Signature	Date
Laser Technician Signature	Date