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Informed Consent for Women of Childbearing Age

Women of childbearing age need to be particularly careful about any medications they take during pregnancy. The first trimester is an especially sensitive period.

We have discussed with you being on psychotropic medication, and know that you are of childbearing age. Therefore, we ask that you inform us if you intend to get pregnant, or if you are having sexual relations and not using birth control pills, or some other fully acceptable method of contraception. We will discuss these issues with you.

If it is necessary for you to take medication during pregnancy, we will want to have a discussion of the risk/benefit ration with you and your husband prior to your continuing these medications.

You should inform us immediately if you do decide you want to become pregnant, if you find out you are pregnant, or if you miss a period for any unknown reason. The reason for this is we need to immediately discuss with you the medications you are taking, and decide on a future plan that is best for you and your child.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Patient Signature

Date

Witness

Date