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<u>Sublingual Immunotherapy (SLIT)</u> <u>Consent & Financial Information</u>

The allergens used for allergy drops are the same as those used for injections. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has specifically approved the use of these allergens for injection use. Using them for allergy drops (sublingually) though is considered an "off-label" use which means that they are not specifically approved by the FDA for this purpose. Off-label use in the US healthcare delivery system is a legitimate, legal and common practice. Efficacy of this treatment has been confirmed in peer review journals and has been prescribed for this use worldwide for decades, and is approved by the World Health Organization (WHO).

You will be required to pay in advance for this product and service, which is customized for you based on the results of your allergy testing. The cost is \$225.00 for every two months of therapy except for the first two months, the cost will be \$275.00 to include cost of office nurse visits.

During the initial period you will be required to come in for two office visits when you will be instructed and counseled regarding your care and treatment.

Please sign and date below acknowledging:

- 1. You have read and agree with our financial policy.
- 2. You understand that allergy drops are an off-label use of an FDA-approved biologic.
- 3. You have been given ample opportunity to ask questions and these questions were answered satisfactorily so that you can make an informed decision.
- 4. In addition, you also acknowledge that you have been given no guarantee or assurance as to the results that may be obtained from the use of allergy drops.

Patient's Name:	
Patient/Parent/Guardian's Signature:	
Patient's DOB:	

 Witness:
 Date: