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Informed Consent for Medical Qigong Therapy

California Senate Bill SB-577, effective January 1, 2003, enables complementary and alternative health practitioners to provide and advertise their services legally, according to the rules of compliance specified in the legislation. Section 2053.6 of the California Business and Professions Code requires the following disclosures:

Disclosure to the client in plain, written language:

- a. that the practitioner is not a licensed physician;
- b. that the treatment is a complementary or alternative healing modality and not licensed by the State;
- c. the nature of the service to be provided and the theory of treatment upon which the services are based; and
- d. the practitioner's education and other training, experience, and other qualifications regarding the services to be provided.

Educational & Clinical Qualifications to Practice Medical Qigong

- Certified Medical Qigong Practitioner (CMQ, since 2019)
- Doctor of Acupuncture and Integrative Medicine (DAIM, 2019)
- California Licensed Acupuncturist #13617 (since 2010)
- Master of Science, Oriental Medicine (MSOM, 2009)

Please initial next to each of the following statements: I understand that Medical Qigong is a form of complementary and alternative medicine, that it is NOT licensed or regulated by the state of California, and that it in no way purports to replace allopathic medical evaluation, diagnosis, or treatment. I understand that, in practicing complementary and alternative medicine, Kristen "tank" Conner seeks to support, rather than replace, the care of my existing physician, therapist, or acupuncturist. I understand that Kristen "tank" Conner provides Medical Qigong treatments and exercises designed to assist clients in maintaining physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being. I understand that Medical Qigong, one of the five foundational pillars of East Asian Medicine, is part of a system of healthcare that recognizes the root causes of symptoms or diseases and treats the client as a whole person. Practiced as an adjunct to Western Medicine, Medical Qigong addresses the energetic imbalances and/or blockages that contribute to illness. If I have a uterus, I will inform Kristen "tank" Conner if I am pregnant prior to any treatment. I understand that I may stop treatment at any time. By signing below, I, _____, am stating that I understand the nature of Medical Qigong therapy and the above-referenced practitioner's qualifications to practice Medical Qigong therapy, and I hereby consent to participate in Medical Qigong treatments and/or instruction.