CONSENT FOR IMMUNOTHERAPY

Legal name of patient undergoing immunotherapy:

David Mangold has explained to me the procedure involved in the administration of immunotherapy (allergy injections) in a way that I understand.

- 1. In national studies, 70-80% of patients have reported improvement of symptoms in association with immunotherapy. For venomous insect immunotherapy improvement is 95%.
- 2. There may be alternative methods of treatment, which may or may not be used to control my symptoms. I understand that immunotherapy is not the only treatment available.
- 3. There are risks involved with immunotherapy and they have been explained to me fully.

 Ordinarily, local arm swelling and itching are expected after some injections. Rarely, a systemic reaction happens after an injection. Symptoms of such a reaction occur shortly after the injection and may include the following:
 - a. Upper Respiratory (nasal congestion, itchy eyes, sneezing, etc.)
 - b. Lower Respiratory (wheezing, coughing, short of breath, etc.)
 - c. Skin (rash, hives, itching, etc.)
 - d. Swelling (eyes, lips, tongue, throat, etc.)
 - e. Anaphylaxis (shock, respiratory failure, death)
- 4. Because of these risks, I agree to wait in the office for 30 minutes after each injection or call 911 or proceed to the emergency room if any symptoms occur after I have left.
- 5. The costs of injections may vary depending on where you receive them. The injection costs range from \$22.00 (one injection) to \$42 (two or more injections). The treatment sets are \$825 each and refills are \$275 per set. Refills may be needed every 6-12 months. You may require 1-3 treatment sets depending on how many allergies you have.
- 6. Follow-up patient visits should be made ideally at 3 & 12 months after starting injections. A close provider-patient relationship is recommended so that vaccine adjustment can be made to assure the optimal safety and effectiveness of your immunotherapy.

If immunotherapy is for a child, a parent or guardian's signature is required. Parents or guardians are responsible for informing the staff of how each previous injection was tolerated. I am satisfied with the explanation that has been given and do not desire any more information. I give permission and consent for this treatment,

Signature of patient, parent, or guardiar	1;	Date:
Printed name of person giving consent:		