Acupuncture and accompanying Chinese medicine therapies, such as moxibustion, are generally considered to be very safe methods of treatment. There are some risks with these treatments, including minor bruising or bleeding, numbness or tingling near the needling site that may last a few days, infection, drowsiness, fainting and temporary aggravation of symptoms. If you are pregnant, have a bleeding disorder, have a pacemaker, or if you are taking anti-coagulant medications, please inform your practitioner.

We ask that you choose a tidied chair to sit in when you enter the treatment room, and that you leave your blankets on the chair when you go.

**Cancellation Policy:** We are committed to keeping our prices as low as possible. We do not receive government grants or subsidies of any kind; we stay afloat solely on sliding-scale acupuncture treatments. Community acupuncture works because our patients treat the clinic like a shared resource that they really care about. If you miss an appointment with us, it impacts our operations and often means that someone else was unable to use the spot we’d reserved for you.

**We ask for 24 hours notice if you need to cancel your appointment.** There is a sliding-scale missed appointment fee of $5-$20 in cases of missed appointments or cancellations with less than 24 hours notice. (We recognize that emergencies happen, and are willing to consider those on an individual basis.)

I understand the above information and give my consent to treatment from the registered health practitioners at Guelph Community Acupuncture. I agree to pay the missed appointment fee for any missed appointments or appointments cancelled with less than 24 hours notice.

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Full name - please PRINT                Date

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Signature

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