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**Office of Environmental Health Services**  
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**Body Piercing Technician - Hepatitis B Declination Statement**

- I have attended an approved exposure control training course pursuant to Section 3.4.c.1.d. of the West Virginia Body Piercing Studio Business Rule, 64-CSR-80, and acknowledge that I am at an increased risk of exposure to Hepatitis B.
- I understand that there is no cure for Hepatitis B.
- I understand that in addition to the acute illness, Hepatitis B virus infection can lead to:  

Chronic Hepatitis,  
Chronic Hepatitis Carrier state,  
Liver Cirrhosis, and  
a heightened risk of Liver Cancer.
- I understand that the Hepatitis B vaccine has an 80 to 95% efficacy level in providing protection from Hepatitis B when the complete series of three doses of vaccine are administered.

Despite this information, I elect to **decline Hepatitis B vaccination at this time.**

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**Signature of Piercing Technician**

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**Date**