



PATIENT CONSENT FORM

Authorization for Submission of Claims, Assignment of Benefits and Release of Health Information

I understand that I have certain rights to privacy regarding my protected health information. These rights are given to me under the *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996* (HIPAA). I understand that by signing this consent I authorize you to use and disclose my protected health information to carry out:

- Treatment (including direct or indirect treatment by other healthcare providers involved in my treatment);
- Obtaining payment from third party payers (e.g. my insurance company);
 - I authorize you to submit claims for payment for services to health care service plans or insurance companies on my behalf and in my name, and assign to you the group insurance benefits otherwise payable to me, but not to exceed the provider's actual charges for the covered services. I understand that I am financially responsible for any charges not covered by the group insurance benefits.
 - I authorize you to release to hospital or health care service plans, insurance companies, self-insurers, or their representatives, any and all information and records (including x-rays) about my medical history, or about services rendered or treatment given to me that is needed to review, investigate or evaluate any claim for benefits.
- The day-to-day healthcare operations of your practice.

I have also been informed of, and given the right to review and secure a copy of your Notice of Privacy Practices, which contains a more complete description of the uses and disclosures of my protected health information, and my rights under HIPAA. I understand that you reserve the right to change the terms of this notice from time to time and that I may contact you at any time to obtain the most current copy of this notice.

I understand that I have the right to request restrictions on how my protected health information is used and disclosed to carry out treatment, payment, and health care operations, but that you are not required to agree to these requested restrictions. However, if you do agree, you are then bound to comply with this restriction.

I understand that I may revoke this consent, in writing, at any time. However, any use or disclosure that occurred prior to the date I revoke this consent is not affected.

Signed this _____ day of _____, _____

Print Patient Name: _____

Relationship to Patient: _____

Signature: _____