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Patient Authorization for Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information

Medical Records Release/Request Form

As required by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and Connecticut law, this practice *may not use or disclose your individually identifiable health information without your authorization except as provided in our Notice of Privacy Practices. Your completion of this form means that you are giving permission for the uses and disclosure described below. Please review and complete this form carefully. It may be invalid if not fully completed. You may wish to ask the person or entity you want to receive your information to complete the sections detailing the information to be released and the purpose for the disclosure.*

I hereby authorized this medical practice_____
(Name of practice)

To release health information of patient named below.

Patient Name: _____**Date of Birth** _____ **Soc.Sec#**_____
(Print)

(Other names, Maiden name):_____

Dates of Service & description of health information to be disclosed:

1._____**2.**_____**3.**_____**4.** _____

OR □ ENTIRE MEDICAL RECORD

Reason for Release:_____
(Reason for release must be noted on this form)

Send medical records to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Restrictions: I understand that the recipient of this information may not use or disclose this information except for expressed purposes identified above, unless another authorization is obtained from me or unless such use or disclosure is specifically required or permitted by law.
I understand that the information in my health record may include information relating to sexually transmitted disease, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), or human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). It may also include information about behavioral or mental health services and treatment for alcohol and drug abuse.

Exclusion (please initial): Drug / Alcohol _____, Mental Health / Psychiatric _____,Sexually Transmitted Disease _____, HIV/AIDS _____, Other _____, description of other exclusion

This authorization is effective from: _____ thru _____ (dates must be specified)

Signature: _____ Print Name _____ Date _____

(Please check appropriate box) I am the: □ Patient □Guardian □Conservator □Patient's Representative

(If this form was completed by someone other than the patient, please print name and address below).

Name: _____ Address: _____

I understand that I have the right to receive a copy of this authorization.

Refusal to Sign Authorization_____
I understand that my health care treatment or benefits will not be affected whether I sign or do not sign this form. I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time by notifying this medical practice in writing as described in the Notice of Privacy Practices. My revocation will not affect actions taken by this medical practice prior to its receipt. I understand that, if the recipient of the information is not a health care provider or health plan covered by HIPAA, the information used or disclosed as described above may be redisclosed by the recipient and no longer protected by HIPAA. However, other state or federal law may prohibit the reecipient from disclosing specially protected information, such as substance abuse treatment information, HIV/AIDS-related information, and psychiatric/mental health information.

As Referenced in section 20c (b), CT General Statutes allow a charge of $.65 per page to copy medical records, plus shipping and handling or any conveyance fees the office is required to pay. Fees are payable in advance, by cash or credit card.