



PATIENT CONSENT

1. CONSENT TO MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT

I am being treated at Synergy Medical P.C., and I consent to all medical and surgical care, examinations and tests determined by my Physician that are necessary to me. Though I expect the care given will meet customary standards, I understand there are no guarantees concerning the results of my care. I understand that if I do not follow my Physician's recommendations as they may relate to my health, that the Physician and this office will not be responsible for and injuries or damages that are the result of my non-compliance. I understand that if an employee or any individual associated with the Physician's office is exposed to my blood or body fluids, I will be tested for hepatitis viruses and the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV.) I also understand that I will receive education related to this testing and that I will not be charged for testing and education related to the exposure.

I understand my right to request the presence of a chaperone during my visit. The chaperone may be a patient advocate or staff member. Our staff will maintain patient confidentiality standards set by Synergy Medical P.C. When a chaperone is present, the provider will try to keep all questions of a sensitive nature to a minimum.

2. CONSENT TO USE OF INFORMATION

Electronic Health Records. I understand that the Physician's office may collaborate with other health care providers to coordinate, manage and provide health care to me and I consent to the Physician's office sharing my health information and records electronically for the purposes of treatment, payment or operations, including improving the overall quality of health care services provided to me (e.g., avoiding unnecessary or duplicate testing, etc.) I consent to the inclusion in the electronic health records of sensitive diagnoses and related information such as HIV/AIDS status, sexually transmitted diseases, genetic information, and mental health and substance abuse, etc. The electronic health records (HER) will be accessible by Health credentialed physicians/practitioners as well as other purposes permitted by federal and state laws, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA.) The Physician's office has implemented administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality and integrity of my medical information as required by HIPAA.

Use and Disclosure of Information. In addition to the above consent to use and share my health information with the Health HER system, I agree that the Physician's office may use and disclose my health information for a range of purposes including: treatment, eligibility verification, and/or payment to private and public payers or their agents including insurance companies, manages care-organizations, my employer (if I am injured at work), state and federal government programs, Worker's Compensation programs, obtaining pre-admission or continued length of stay certification, quality of care assessment and improvement activities, evaluating the performance of qualifications of physicians and health care workers, conducting medical and nursing training and education programs, conducting or arranging for medical review, audit services, ensuring compliance with legal, regulatory and accreditation requirements and public health and health oversight services.

Request for Information from Others. I consent to the Physician's office request of my health information from other providers of care of me, receipt of and release of my health information, whether written, verbal, or electronic, for the uses described above as well as the Physician's office participation in any health information exchange described in the Physician office's Notice of Privacy Practices (NPP). Please refer to the NPP for additional, detailed information regarding the uses and disclosures of protected health information.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

I acknowledge that I have received or been offered a copy of the Physician office's Notice of Privacy Practices which provides information on how the Physician's office may use or disclose PHI for purposes of treatment, payment, or health care operations. Please Initial _____



4. ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS

I hereby assign to and authorize payment of all insurance and health care benefits available to me directly to the Physician's office for services provided to me. I understand that benefits may be payable to me directly if I do not provide this authorization.

5. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

I understand and agree that I am responsible for payment of all charges incurred which are not paid by insurance or health care benefits, including any and all products provided or services rendered to me which are not eligible for payment (non-covered) under health care plans, Medicare, Medicaid or other insurance or payers (e.g., services rendered by health care providers who do not participate with my insurance plan.) Non-covered services also may include those services my physician determines to be medically necessary, but are later determined unnecessary by the payer.

6. PERSONAL VALUES

I understand that the Physician's office does not accept responsibility for any lost, stolen or damaged personal items while I am at the Physician's office.

Patient Name: _____ **Patient Date of Birth:** _____

Patient Address / City/State /Zip / Code

Signature of Patient or Patients' Legal Representative

Date of Signature

Time of Signature

Print Name of Patient's Legal Representative

**Relationship of Legal Representative to Patient
(e.g., parent, guardian, other, please explain)**

7. MEDICAL INFORMATION RELEASE

I authorize the release of information including diagnosis, records, examinations rendered to me, and claims information.

This information may be released to:

Spouse Name: _____

Children Name(s): _____

Other Name(s): _____

Information is not to be released to anyone

This Release of Information will remain in effect until terminated by me in writing.

Signed: _____

Date: ___ / ___ / ___