



CONSENT AND RELEASES

Consent for Treatment

I, _____, hereby voluntarily consent to outpatient care at Piedmont Internal Medicine, PC encompassing routine diagnostic procedures, examination and medical treatment including, but not limited to, routine laboratory work (such as blood, urine, and other studies), and administration of medications prescribe by the physician. I further consent to the performance of those diagnostic procedures, examinations and rendering of medical treatment by the physicians and their assistants, including nurse practitioners, physician assistants, medical assistants, or their designees as is necessary in the physician's judgment.

Notice of Patient Privacy Consent (HIPAA)

_____ I have been provided with a copy (electronic and/or printed copy) of the practice's Notice of Privacy Practices, which provides a detailed description of the uses and disclosures allowed by this consent, as well as other rights I have regarding my protected health information. (The Notice of Patient Privacy Consent is posted on our website at www.PiedmontInternalMed.com for your convenience.)

Authorized Release of Medical Information

There are times where the physicians and employees of Piedmont Internal Medicine need to contact you. Our primary method is through our "My Chart" patient portal, however, circumstances may require us to contact you via mail, email, telephone, voice mail, and/or text messaging. Please check the additional approved methods of how we may contact you regarding your personal and private health information. Please note, you may change or revoke your authorization approvals at any time. **Check all that apply:**

_____ Home Answering Machine _____ Text Message _____ Work Voice Mail _____ Mailing Address
_____ Cell Phone Voice Mail _____ Personal Email _____ Work Email

I authorize the release of medical information to the following: _____

Name and Relationship

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Lifetime Medicare Authorization & Consent for Medicare Patients Only

_____ I certify that the information given by me in applying for payment under Title SVIII and /or Title XIX of the Social Security Act is correct. I authorize any holder of medical or other information about me to release to the Social Security Administration or its intermediary carriers any information needed for this or a related Medicare or Medicaid claim. I request that payment of authorized benefits be made on my behalf. I assign the benefits payable for physician(s) services. Please note Federal Law requires us to collect your yearly deductible and co-insurance amounts. If you have a secondary insurance, we will bill your secondary insurance after Medicare pays the requested amount. I understand that I am responsible for my health insurance deductible and coinsurance.

Medigap Authorization Statement

_____ I authorize any holder or other information about me to release Piedmont Internal Medicine, P.C. any information needed for this or a related Medigap claim. I permit a copy of this authorization to be used in place of the original, and request payment of medical insurance benefits either to myself or to the party who accepts assignment.

Consent for Use, Disclosure of Patient Information for the purposes of Treatment, Payment, and Healthcare Operations

_____ I hereby consent to Piedmont Internal Medicine, PC using or disclosing my protected health information for the purpose of providing treatment to me, obtaining payment for health care services rendered to me or to carry out the Practice’s health care operations. I also consent to Piedmont Internal Medicine, PC using or disclosing my protected health information for treatment activities provided by another health care provider, as well as the payment activities conducted by another health care provider or entity. I further consent to the disclosure of my protected health information for another provider or health care entity to conduct health care operations

Health Information Exchange

_____ Health information exchange allows health care providers to share health care information about patients electronically for several purposes, such as treatment, quality assurance and state law reporting requirements. I understand that if I go to the Practice for treatment, the physicians and/or their staff may get a copy of my medication history and other health care information electronically through various health information exchange connections with other health care providers. **I understand I may request that my health care information not be shared through electronic health information exchange by following the directions in the Practice's Notice of Patient Privacy Practices.**

Terminating Services

_____ All the providers at Piedmont Internal Medicine value a meaningful and productive relationship with our patients. Unfortunately, there are occasions when this is no longer feasible. Please be advised that the Practice reserves the right to terminate the provider/patient relationship for the following reasons:

1. Multiple cancellations or missed appointments.
2. Medical Non-Compliance, including violation of Therapeutic Drug Agreement.
3. Failure to comply with practice policies, including yearly physical exams.
4. Rude, abusive behavior, use of obscene language, mistreatment of staff in person or on the phone.
5. Failure to pay a debt/account sent to collections

If the relationship is terminated, you will be notified in writing. Your provider will provide emergency medical care for 30 days following the date of the written notice and will send medical records to a new provider with a written release.

COVID-19

_____ I understand that the 2019 novel coronavirus, which causes the disease COVID-19, has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization, is extremely contagious and is believed to be spread by person-to-person contact. I recognize the staff of Piedmont Internal Medicine has put in place reasonable preventative measures aimed at reducing the spread of COVID-19. However, I acknowledge and accept the risk of becoming infected by virtue of seeking services in-person at Piedmont Internal Medicine.

Patient Signature: _____ Date: _____