

I hereby request and consent to the performance of chiropractic adjustments and other chiropractic procedures, including various modes of physical therapy and diagnostic X-rays, on me (or on the patient named below, for whom I am legally responsible) by the doctor of chiropractic named below and/or other licensed doctors of chiropractic who now or in the future work at the clinic or office listed below or any other office or clinic.

I have had an opportunity to discuss with the doctor of chiropractic named below and/or with other office or clinic personnel the nature and purpose of chiropractic adjustments and other procedures. I understand that results are not guaranteed.

I understand and am informed that, as in the practice of medicine, in the practice of chiropractic there are some risks to treatment, including but not limited to fractures, disc injuries, strokes, dislocations and sprains. I do not expect the doctor to be able to anticipate and explain all risks and complications, and I wish to rely upon the doctor to exercise judgment during the course of the procedure which the doctor feels at the time, based upon the facts then known to him or her, is in my best interest.

I have read, or have had read to me, the above consent. I have also had an opportunity to ask questions about its content, and by signing below I agree to the above-named procedures. I intend this consent form to cover the entire course of treatment for my present condition and for any future condition(s) for which I seek treatment.

Patient Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Texas Family Chiropractic  
Dr. Derrick W. Houghton

# Welcome

## Patient Information

Date \_\_\_\_\_ \ SS# \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Sex  M  F Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Married  Widowed  Single  Minor  
 Separated  Divorced  Partnered for \_\_\_\_\_ years

Primary Ethnicity  
 Native American/Alaska Native  Hispanic  Asian  White  
 Black/African American  Native Hawaiian/Pacific Island  Other

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Employer/School \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/School Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Whom may we thank for referring you? \_\_\_\_\_

## Insurance

Who is responsible for this account? \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Patient \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Co. \_\_\_\_\_

Group # \_\_\_\_\_

Is Patient covered by additional insurance?  Yes  No

Subscriber's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ SS# \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Patient \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Co. \_\_\_\_\_

Group # \_\_\_\_\_

### ASSIGNMENT AND RELEASE

I certify that I, and/or my dependent(s), have insurance coverage with \_\_\_\_\_ and assign directly to \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Insurance Company(ies)

Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ all insurance benefits, if any, otherwise payable to me for services rendered. I understand that I am financially responsible for all charges whether or not paid by insurance. I authorize the use of my signature on all insurance submissions.

The above-named doctor may use my health care information and may disclose such information to the above-named Insurance Company(ies) and their agents for the purpose of obtaining payment for services and determining insurance benefits or the benefits payable for related services. This consent will end when my current treatment plan is completed or one year from date signed below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Patient, Parent, Guardian or Personal Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please print name of Patient, parent, Guardian or Personal Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Patient

## Phone Numbers

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Carrier \_\_\_\_\_

How would you like to receive appointment reminders?  
 Text Message  Email  Both

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, CONTACT**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

## Accident Information

Is condition due to an accident?  Yes  No

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Type of accident  Auto  Work  Home  Other

To whom have you made a report of your accident?  
 Auto Insurance  Employer  Work Comp.  Other

Attorney Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

## Patient Condition

Reason for Visit \_\_\_\_\_

When did your symptoms appear? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this condition getting progressively worse?  Yes  No  Unknown

Mark an X on the picture where you continue to have pain, numbness, or tingling.

Rate the severity of your pain on a scale from 1 (least pain) to 10 (severe pain)

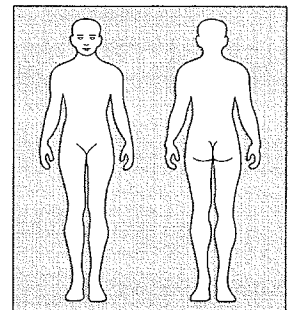
Type of pain:  Sharp  Dull  Throbbing  Numbness  Aching  Shooting  
 Burning  Tingling  Cramps  Stiffness  Swelling  Other

How often do you have this pain? \_\_\_\_\_

Is it consistent or does it come and go? \_\_\_\_\_

Does it interfere with your  Work  Sleep  Daily Routine  Recreation

Activities or movements that are painful to perform  Sitting  Standing  Walking  Bending  Lying Down



# Health History

What treatment have you already received for your condition?  Medications  Surgery  Physical Therapy  
 Chiropractic Services  None  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of other doctor(s) who have treated you for your condition \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Last: Physical Exam \_\_\_\_\_ Spinal X-Ray \_\_\_\_\_ Blood Test \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spinal Exam \_\_\_\_\_ Chest X-Ray \_\_\_\_\_ Urine Test \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dental X-Ray \_\_\_\_\_ MRI, CT-Scan, Bone Scan \_\_\_\_\_

Place a mark on "Yes" or "No" to indicate if you have had any of the following:

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|--|---|---|---|
| AIDS/HIV <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No            | Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No         | Migraine <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No             | Rheumatic Fever <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    |
| Alcoholism <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No          | Emphysema <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No        | Headaches <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No            | Scarlet Fever <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No      |
| Allergy Shots <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No       | Epilepsy <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No         | Miscarriage <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No          | Stroke <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No             |
| Anemia <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No              | Fractures <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No        | Mononucleosis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No        | Suicide Attempt <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    |
| Anorexia <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No            | Glaucoma <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No         | Multiple Sclerosis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   | Thyroid Problems <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| Appendicitis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No        | Goiter <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No           | Mumps <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                | Tonsillitis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No        |
| Arthritis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No           | Gonorrhea <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No        | Osteoporosis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No         | Tuberculosis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No       |
| Asthma <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No              | Gout <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No             | Pacemaker <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No            | Tumors, Growths <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    |
| Bleeding Disorders <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  | Heart Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    | Parkinson's Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  | Typhoid Fever <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No      |
| Breast Lump <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No         | Hepatitis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No        | Pinched Nerve <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No        | Ulcers <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No             |
| Bronchitis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No          | Hernia <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No           | Pneumonia <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No            | Vaginal Infections <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Bulimia <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No             | Herniated Disk <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   | Polio <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                | Venereal Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| Cancer <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No              | Herpes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No           | Prostate Problem <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No     | Whooping Cough <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No     |
| Cataracts <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No           | High Cholesterol <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Prosthesis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No           | Other _____   |
| Chemical Dependency <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Kidney Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   | Psychiatric Care <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No     | _____   |
| Chicken Pox <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No         | Liver Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No    | Rheumatoid Arthritis <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | _____   |
|  | Measles <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No          |   |   |

<p><b>EXERCISE</b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Daily <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy	<p><b>WORK ACTIVITY</b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> Sitting <input type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Light Labor <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy Labor	<p><b>HABITS</b></p> <input type="checkbox"/> Smoking <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee/Caffeine Drinks <input type="checkbox"/> High Stress Level Packs/Day _____ Drinks/Week _____ Cups/Day _____ Reason _____
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Are you pregnant?  Yes  No Due Date \_\_\_\_\_

Injuries/Surgeries you have had	Description	Date
Falls	_____	_____
Head Injuries	_____	_____
Broken Bones	_____	_____
Dislocations	_____	_____
Surgeries	_____	_____

Medications	Allergies	Vitamins/Herbs/Minerals
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
Pharmacy Name _____	_____	_____
Pharmacy Phone (____) _____	_____	_____

# REVISED OSWESTRY DISABILITY

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ File # \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Print)

This questionnaire helps us to understand how much your low back pain has affected your ability to perform everyday activities. Please check the one box in each section that most clearly describes your problem right now.

## SECTION 1 - Pain Intensity

- The pain comes and goes and is very mild.
- The pain is mild and does not vary much.
- The pain comes and goes and is moderate.
- The pain is moderate and does not vary much.
- The pain comes and goes and is severe.
- The pain is severe and does not vary much.

## SECTION 2 - Personal Care (Washing, Dressing, etc.)

- I would not have to change my way of washing or dressing in order to avoid pain.
- I do not normally change my way of washing or dressing even though it causes some pain.
- Washing and dressing increase the pain, but I manage not to change my way of doing it.
- Washing and dressing increase the pain and I find it necessary to change my way of doing it.
- Because of the pain, I am unable to do some washing and dressing without help.
- Because of the pain, I am unable to do any washing and dressing without help.

## SECTION 3 - Lifting

- I can lift heavy weights without extra pain.
- I can lift heavy weights but it gives extra pain.
- Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights off the floor.
- Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights off the floor, but I can manage if they are conveniently positioned, e.g., on a table.
- Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights, but I can manage light to medium weights if they are conveniently positioned.
- I can only lift very light weights at the most.

## SECTION 4- Walking

- I have no pain on walking.
- I have some pain on walking but it does not increase with distance.
- I cannot walk more than one mile without increasing pain.
- I cannot walk more than 1/2 mile without increasing pain.
- I cannot walk more than 1/4 mile without increasing pain.
- I cannot walk at all without increasing pain.

## SECTION 5 - Sitting

- I can sit in any chair as long as I like without pain.
- I can sit only in my favorite chair as long as I like.
- Pain prevents me from sitting more than 1 hour.
- Pain prevents me from sitting more than 1/2 hour.
- Pain prevents me from sitting for more than 10 minutes.
- I avoid sitting because it increases pain immediately.

## SECTION 6 - Standing

- I can stand as long as I want without pain.
- I have some pain on standing, but it does not, increase with time.
- I cannot stand for longer than one hour without increasing pain.
- I cannot stand for longer than 1/2 hour without increasing pain.
- I cannot stand for longer than 10 minutes without increasing pain.
- I avoid standing, because it increases the pain immediately.

## SECTION 7 - Sleeping

- I get no pain in bed.
- I get pain in bed but it does not prevent me from sleeping well.
- Because of pain, my normal night's sleep is reduced by less than 1/4.
- Because of pain, my normal night's sleep is reduced by less than 1/2.
- Because of pain, my normal nights sleep is reduced by less than 3/4.
- Pain prevents me from sleeping at all.

## SECTION 8 - Social Life

- My social life is normal and gives me no pain.
- My social life is normal, but increases the degree of pain.
- Pain has no significant effect on my social life apart from limiting my more energetic interests, e.g., dancing, etc.
- Pain has restricted my social life and I do not go out very often.
- Pain has restricted my social life to my home.
- I have hardly any social life because of the pain.

## SECTION 9 - Traveling

- I get no pain while traveling.
- I get some pain while traveling, but none of my usual forms of travel make it any worse.
- I get extra pain while traveling, but it does not compel me to seek alternative forms of travel.
- I get extra pain while traveling which compels me to seek alternative forms of travel.
- Pain restricts all forms of travel.
- Pain prevents all forms of travel except that done lying down.

## SECTION 10 - Changing Degree of Pain

- My pain is rapidly getting better.
- My pain fluctuates, but overall is definitely getting better.
- My pain seems to be getting better, but improvement is slow.
- My pain is neither getting better nor getting worse.
- My pain is gradually worsening.
- My pain is rapidly worsening.

## Patient – Doctor Agreement

The purpose of this agreement is to allow us to more completely serve you and for you to get the best results in the shortest amount of time. It is our experience that *those who follow through with these agreements get the best results*

### Signing In

When you arrive, please sign in. You will be called and assigned a treatment room in the order you signed in. On each visit, pick up your card at the front desk, go to the assigned treatment room, and lie face down. *Rest and relax*, the doctor will be in as soon as possible.

### New Patient Health Talk

We suggest that all our new patients attend our *Health Talk* as soon as possible after starting care. We meet here at the office. The Health Talk explains how the body functions, how Chiropractic works, and how results are produced. Family and friends are always welcome. There is no charge for the talk. While children are welcome in the office during our regular treatment times, childcare is not available during our classes, so please make other arrangements for children under the age of 12.

### Missing or Changing Appointments

The doctor will set up a specific course of treatment for you. A certain number of treatments in a set amount of time are required to get the results we both desire. Thus, if you need to change the time of your appointment, plan to come another time the same day, or if the same day is not possible, it is important that you make up the missed appointment within one week. *Schedule your life around your health, not your health around your life.*

### Appointment Times

We will set up a specific time for your adjustment. Try to be prompt as the doctor has set this time aside for adjustments and during this time, that is all he will do. If you come at another time, you may have to wait a few minutes, as the doctor also sets aside a specific time to see new patients and conduct extended consultations. *We value your time* and do not want you to wait needlessly. If you wish to sit down with the doctor to discuss your care, a specific Doctor/Patient Conference can be arranged at no additional charge.

### Re-Examinations

During your treatment series, re-examinations and progress reports will be done on a regular basis.

### Communication

Please communicate directly to the doctor any upsetting matter such as waiting too long, rudeness by any staff member, failure to understand treatment, need for extended consultation, etc. *We are here to serve you.* Your constructive criticism will help us to help you as well as others.

### Financial Policy

We will expect you to honor the financial agreement you make with our office. For cash patients we request that 100% of the first visit be paid at the time of the first visit. We are happy to accept your check, Master card, Visa, Discover, American Express, or cash. All of your payment options will be discussed with you on your second visit. *We can help you understand your benefits.* If you have suspended or terminated your care without the doctor's approval, payment for services rendered is due immediately. For questions regarding Major Medical/Group Insurance, Auto Accident/Personal Injury, Worker's Compensation, or Medicare, please ask.

I \_\_\_\_\_ understand the above policy and agree to abide by it  
(Print Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

**THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED, HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION, YOUR RIGHTS CONCERNING YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION AND OUR RESPONSIBILITIES TO PROTECT YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.**

State and Federal laws require us to maintain the privacy of your health information and to inform you about our privacy practices by providing you with this Notice. We are required to abide by the terms of this Notice of Privacy Practices. This Notice will take effect on 2/28/14 and will remain in effect until it is amended or replaced by us.

We reserve the right to change our privacy practices provided law permits the changes. Before we make a significant change, this Notice will be amended to reflect the changes and we will make the new Notice available upon request. We reserve the right to make any changes in our privacy practices and the new terms of our Notice effective for all health information maintained, created and/or received by us before the date changes were made.

You may request a copy of our Privacy Notice at any time by contacting our Privacy Officer, Dr. Derrick Houghton. Information on contacting us can be found at the end of this Notice.

### **We will keep your health information confidential, using it only for the following purposes:**

**Treatment:** While we are providing you with health care services, we may share your protected health information (PHI) including electronic protected health information (ePHI) with other health care providers, business associates and their subcontractors or individuals who are involved in your treatment, billing, administrative support or data analysis. These business associates and subcontractors through signed contracts are required by Federal law to protect your health information. We have established "minimum necessary" or "need to know" standards that limit various staff members' access to your health information according to their primary job functions. Everyone on our staff is required to sign a confidentiality statement.

**Payment:** We may use and disclose your health information to seek payment for services we provide to you. This disclosure involves our business office staff and may include insurance organizations, collections or other third parties that may be responsible for such costs, such as family members.

**Disclosure:** We may disclose and/or share protected health information (PHI) including electronic disclosure with other health care professionals who provide treatment and/or service to you. These professionals will have a privacy and confidentiality policy like this one. Health information about you may also be disclosed to your family, friends and/or other persons you choose to involve in your care, only if you agree that we may do so. As of March 26, 2013 immunization records for students may be released without an authorization (as long as the PHI disclosed is limited to proof of immunization). If an individual is deceased you may disclose PHI to a family member or individual involved in care or payment prior to death. Psychotherapy notes will not be used or disclosed without your written authorization. Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA) prohibits health plans from using or disclosing genetic information for underwriting purposes. Uses and disclosures not described in this notice will be made only with your signed authorization.

**Right to an Accounting of Disclosures:** You have the right to request an "accounting of disclosures" of your protected information if the disclosure was made for purposes other than providing services, payment, and or business operations. In light of the increasing use of Electronic Medical Record technology (EMR), the HITECH Act allows you the right to request a copy of your health information in electronic form if we store your information electronically. Disclosures can be made available for a period of 6 years prior to your request and for electronic health information 3 years prior to the date on which the accounting is requested. If for some reason we aren't capable of an electronic format, a readable hardcopy will be provided. To request this list or accounting of disclosures, you must submit your request in writing to our Privacy Officer. Lists, if requested, will be \$1.00 (max of \$25.00 total) for each page and the staff time charged will be \$25 per hour including the time required to locate and copy your health information. Please contact our Privacy Officer for an explanation of our fee structure.

**Right to Request Restriction of PHI:** If you pay in full out of pocket for your treatment, you can instruct us not to share information about your treatment with your health plan; if the request is not required by law. Effective March 26, 2013, The Omnibus Rule restricts provider's refusal of an individual's request not to disclose PHI.

**Non-routine Disclosures:** You have the right to receive a list of non-routine disclosures we have made of your health care information. You can request non-routine disclosures going back 6 years starting on April 14, 2003.

**Emergencies:** We may use or disclose your health information to notify, or assist in the notification of a family member or anyone responsible for your care, in case of any emergency involving your care, your location, your general condition or death. If at all possible we will provide you with an opportunity to object to this use or disclosure. Under emergency conditions or if you are incapacitated we will use our professional judgment to disclose only that information directly relevant to your care. We will also use our professional judgment to make reasonable inferences of your best interest by allowing someone to pick up filled prescriptions, x-rays or other similar forms of health information and/or supplies unless you have advised us otherwise.

**Healthcare Operations:** We will use and disclose your health information to keep our practice operable. Examples of personnel who may have access to this information include, but are not limited to, our medical records staff, insurance operations, health care clearinghouses and individuals performing similar activities.

**Required by Law:** We may use or disclose your health information when we are required to do so by law. (Court or administrative orders, subpoena, discovery request or other lawful process.)

We will use and disclose your information when requested by national security, intelligence and other State and Federal officials and/or if you are an inmate or otherwise under the custody of law enforcement.

**National Security:** The health information of Armed Forces personnel may be disclosed to military authorities under certain circumstances. If the information is required for lawful intelligence, counterintelligence or other national security activities, we may disclose it to authorized federal officials.

**Abuse or Neglect:** We may disclose your health information to appropriate authorities if we reasonably believe that you are a possible victim of abuse, neglect, or domestic violence or the possible victim of other crimes. This information will be disclosed only to the extent necessary to prevent a serious threat to your health or safety or that of others.

**Public Health Responsibilities:** We will disclose your health care information to report problems with products, reactions to medications, product recalls, disease/infection exposure and to prevent and control disease, injury and/or disability.

**Marketing Health-Related Services:** We will not use your health information for marketing purposes unless we have your written authorization to do so. Effective March 26, 2013, we are required to obtain an authorization for marketing purposes if communication about a product or service is provided and we receive financial remuneration (getting paid in exchange for making the communication). No authorization is required if communication is made face-to-face or for promotional gifts.

**Fundraising:** We may use certain information (name, address, telephone number or e-mail information, age, date of birth, gender, health insurance status, dates of service, department of service information, treating physician information or outcome information) to contact you for the purpose of raising money and you will have the right to opt out of receiving such communications with each solicitation. Effective March 26, 2013, PHI that requires a written patient authorization prior to fundraising communication include: diagnosis, nature of services and treatment. If you have elected to opt out we are prohibited from making fundraising communication under the HIPAA Privacy Rule.

**Sale of PHI:** We are prohibited to disclose PHI without an authorization if it constitutes remuneration (getting paid in exchange for the PHI). "Sale of PHI" does not include disclosures for public health, certain research purposes, treatment and payment, and for any other purpose permitted by the Privacy Rule, where the only remuneration received is "a reasonable cost-based fee" to cover the cost to prepare and transmit the PHI for such purpose or a fee otherwise expressly permitted by law. Corporate transactions (i.e., sale, transfer, merger, consolidation) are also excluded from the definition of "sale."

**Appointment Reminders:** We may use your health records to remind you of recommended services, treatment or scheduled appointments.

**Access:** Upon written request, you have the right to inspect and get copies of your health information (and that of an individual for whom you are a legal guardian.) We will provide access to health information in a form / format requested by you. There will be some limited exceptions. If you wish to examine your health information, you will need to complete and submit an appropriate request form. Contact our Privacy Officer for a copy of the request form. You may also request access by sending us a letter to the address at the end of this Notice. Once approved, an appointment can be made to review your records. Copies, if requested, will be \$1.00 (max of \$25.00 total) for each page and the staff time charged will be \$25 per hour including the time required to copy your health information. If you want the copies mailed to you, postage will also be charged. Access to your health information in electronic form if (readily producible) may be obtained with your request. If for some reason we aren't capable of an electronic format, a readable hardcopy will be provided. If you prefer a summary or an explanation of your health information, we will provide it for a fee. Please contact our Privacy Officer for an explanation of our fee structure.

**Amendment:** You have the right to amend your healthcare information, if you feel it is inaccurate or incomplete. Your request must be in writing and must include an explanation of why the information should be amended. Under certain circumstances, your request may be denied.

**Breach Notification Requirements:** It is presumed that any acquisition, access, use or disclosure of PHI not permitted under HIPAA regulations is a breach. We are required to complete a risk assessment, and if necessary, inform HHS and take any other steps required by law. You will be notified of the situation and any steps you should take to protect yourself against harm due to the breach.

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## **QUESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS**

You have the right to file a complaint with us if you feel we have not complied with our Privacy Policies. Your complaint should be directed to our Privacy Officer. If you feel we may have violated your privacy rights, or if you disagree with a decision we made regarding your access to your health information, you can complain to us in writing. Request a Complaint Form from our Privacy Officer. We support your right to the privacy of your information and will not retaliate in any way if you choose to file a complaint with us or with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. **HOW TO CONTACT US:**

Practice Name: Texas Family Chiropractic Privacy Officer: Dr. Derrick Houghton

Telephone: 512-252-9444 Fax: 512-252-9341

Email: dwhdcm3@sbcglobal.net

Address: 16301 Yellow Sage St Pflugerville Texas 78660

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES**

Notice to Patient:

We are required to provide you with a copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices, which states how we may use and/or disclose your health information. Please sign this form to acknowledge receipt of the Notice. You may refuse to sign this acknowledgement, if you wish.

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of this office's Notice of Privacy Practices.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Please print your name here*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

We have made every effort to obtain written acknowledgment of receipt of our Notice of Privacy from this patient but it could not be obtained because:

- The patient refused to sign.
- Due to an emergency situation it was not possible to obtain an acknowledgement.
- We weren't able to communicate with the patient.
- Other (*Please provide specific details*)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Employee signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*



**PARTIAL ASSIGNMENT OF CAUSE OF ACTION, ASSIGNMENT OF PROCEEDS, CONTRACTUAL LIEN AND TREATMENT AGREEMENT**

**Consideration:** In order to facilitate the ability of Texas Family Chiropractic to collect its Charges directly from various Payers and thereby to enhance the patient-provider relationship, I, the undersigned, as consideration for the Office's services, agree to the following and direct all Payers as follows:

**Partial Assignment of the Cause of Action, Assignment of Proceeds, and Contractual Lien:** I hereby assign, insofar as permitted by law, all of my rights, remedies, and benefits to Texas Family Chiropractic, as well as any and all causes of action that I might have now or in the future against any Payer to the extent of my Charges, the right to prosecute such causes of action either in my name or in the Office's name, and the right to settle or otherwise resolve such causes of action as Texas Family Chiropractic sees fit. I further assign my right to receive any proceeds from any Payer to Texas Family Chiropractic and further grant a contractual lien to Texas Family Chiropractic with respect to my charges. I understand that this assignment of rights and contractual lien may effectuate, automatically or otherwise, a secure interest under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code. I intend for this Agreement to effectuate such a lien and hereby authorize Texas Family Chiropractic to file the form(s) normally filed with the secretary of state or other governmental agency in order to perfect such lien. Except as provided herein, nothing in this agreement shall be construed as an election or waiver by Texas Family Chiropractic to a secured interest under any other statutory lien law. I consistent with these rights, and hereby direct any and all Payers, to pay the Proceeds directly and immediately to, and exclusively in the name of Texas Family Chiropractic in the amount of my charges.

**Other Terms:** I understand that I remain personally responsible fro my charges. Consistent with law or contract, I agree to pay the full amount of my charges to Texas Family Chiropractic upon demand. Unless mutually agreed to in writing, the receipt and processing of partial payments by the office shall not constitute a waiver of the Office's right to receive payment-in-full upon demand and shall not constitute an accord and satisfaction of my charges, irrespective of any restrictions indicated on any payments. I understand that at any time, I can request a copy of my total Charges. I hereby waive any statute of limitations which may apply to the collections of my charges.

In the event that I retain one or more attorneys to assist me in collecting any proceeds, I direct each attorney to issue an irrevocable letter of protection to the Office regarding my Charges. I further direct (and the office hereby requests) each attorney to provide immediate notice to the office regarding any proceeds received by the attorney, to promptly pay the Office in full out such proceeds, and to provide a full accounting of such Proceeds to the Office .

I authorize and direct the Office to submit my charges to any and all payers including, without limit, my health benefit plan. I understand, however, that in the event that my Charges are submitted to more than one Payer, I hereby authorize and direct Texas Family Chiropractic to apply any Proceeds received from one Payer to any reduction, write offs, or discounts, issued by another.

I authorize the Office to endorse or sign my name on any and all checks listing me as a payee which are received by the Office for payment of Charges incurred by me, my spouse, or my dependents. I further authorize the office to apply any credit balances on my Charges to any other outstanding Charges still owed by me , my spouse, or my dependents, regardless of whether these other charges are related to my condition.

This agreement shall not be modified or revoked without the mutual written consent of the office and myself. I hereby revoke the terms of any previously signed documents to the extent of those terms conflict with the terms of this Agreement.

This agreement shall be governed under the laws of the state where the Office is located and performable in the country where the Office is located. I hereby consent to personal jurisdiction and venue of any court in said country and waive all objections based on improper jurisdiction, venue, or forum non-convenes.

I agree that each and every provisions of this Agreement is reasonably necessary for the protection of the rights and interest of the office and myself. However, should any provisions of this Agreement be found-to-be "invalid, illegal or unenforceable, or for any reason cease to be binding on any party hereto, all other portions and provisions of this Agreement shall, nevertheless; remain in full force and effect.

**Definitions:** For the purpose of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meaning: "Office" shall refer to: Texas Family Chiropractic located at 15803 Windermere Dr. suite # 420, Pflugerville, TX 78660. "Payer" shall refer to , without limit, any insurance carrier, health benefit plan administrator and fiduciary, health maintenance organization, preferred and independent provider organization, attorney, at fault party, individual, and any other entity, which may elect or be obligated to pay or disburse Proceeds to me, either now or in the future, for my reason; "Proceeds" shall include, without limit the proceeds from any settlement, judgment, or verdict, the proceeds from any promise to pay or reimburse, and the proceeds relating to the following benefits. Plans, coverage: individual and group health benefits. Medicare, Medicaid, workers' compensation, disability, liability, uninsured and underinsured motorist, no-fault, medical payments benefits, personal injury protection, lost wages, lost services, property damage, and malpractice; "Charges" shall include, without limit, the full fees for the "Offices" services (including., without limit, treatment, medical equipment, supplies., supplements, narrative reports, depositions, and testimony), any Collection Costs incurred by the Office, 18% interest on outstanding Charges, and any other charges incurred by me at the Office; "Collections Costs" shall include, without limit any pre-and post judgment court costs, filling fees, service of process charges, attorney fees, and any other costs of collection incurred by the Office in any effort or action to collect my Charges either from me or any payer.

Patient Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Custodial Parent or Legal Guardian, on Behalf of the Patient (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Patient/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_