

Health History Form

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Today's Date:

As required by law, our office adheres to written policies and procedures to protect the privacy of information about you that we create, receive or maintain. Your answers are for our records only and will be kept confidential subject to applicable laws. Please note that you will be asked some questions about your responses to this questionnaire and there may be additional questions concerning your health. This information is vital to allow us to provide appropriate care for you. This office does not use this information to discriminate.

Name:			Home Phone: <i>include area code</i>		Business/Cell Phone: <i>include area code</i>		
_____ Last	_____ First	_____ Middle	()	()	()	()	
Address:			City:		State: Zip:		
_____ Mailing address							
Occupation:			Height:	Weight:	Date of birth:	Sex: M F	
SS# or Patient ID:		Emergency Contact:		Relationship:	Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	
					()	()	
<i>include area codes</i>							
If you are completing this form for another person, what is your relationship to that person?							
Your Name			Relationship				
Do you have any of the following diseases or problems: <i>(Check DK if you Don't Know the answer to the question)</i>							
Active Tuberculosis.....					Yes	No	DK
Persistent cough greater than a 3 week duration.....					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cough that produces blood.....					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Been exposed to anyone with tuberculosis.....					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you answer yes to any of the 4 items above, please stop and return this form to the receptionist.							

Dental Information *For the following questions, please mark (X) your responses to the following questions.*

			Yes	No	DK				Yes	No	DK
Do your gums bleed when you brush or floss?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have earaches or neck pains?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your teeth sensitive to cold, hot, sweets or pressure?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have any clicking, popping or discomfort in the jaw?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does food or floss catch between your teeth?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you brux or grind your teeth?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is your mouth dry?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have sores or ulcers in your mouth?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you had any periodontal (gum) treatments?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you wear dentures or partials?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you ever had orthodontic (braces) treatment?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you participate in active recreational activities?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you had any problems associated with previous dental treatment?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you ever had a serious injury to your head or mouth?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is your home water supply fluoridated?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date of your last dental exam:					
Do you drink bottled or filtered water?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	What was done at that time?					
If yes, how often? Circle one: DAILY / WEEKLY / OCCASIONALLY						Date of last dental x-rays:					
Are you currently experiencing dental pain or discomfort?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
What is the reason for your dental visit today?											
How do you feel about your smile?											

Medical Information *Please mark (X) your response to indicate if you have or have not had any of the following diseases or problems.*

			Yes	No	DK				Yes	No	DK
Are you now under the care of a physician?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you had a serious illness, operation or been hospitalized in the past 5 years?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physician Name: _____			Phone: <i>include area code</i>								
			()								
Address/City/State/Zip: _____											
Are you in good health?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, what was the illness or problem?					
Has there been any change in your general health within the past year?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
If yes, what condition is being treated?						Are you taking or have you recently taken any prescription or over the counter medicine(s)?			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
						If so, please list all, including vitamins, natural or herbal preparations and/or diet supplements:					
Date of last physical exam:						_____					

Medical Information Please mark (X) your response to indicate if you have or have not had any of the following diseases or problems.

(Check DK if you Don't Know the answer to the question)

Do you wear contact lenses? Yes No DK

Joint Replacement. Have you had an orthopedic total joint (hip, knee, elbow, finger) replacement? Yes No DK
Date: _____ If yes, have you had any complications? Yes No DK

Are you taking or scheduled to begin taking either of the medications, alendronate (Fosamax®) or risedronate (Actonel®) for osteoporosis or Paget's disease? Yes No DK

Since 2001, were you treated or are you presently scheduled to begin treatment with the intravenous bisphosphonates (Aredia® or Zometa®) for bone pain, hypercalcemia or skeletal complications resulting from Paget's disease, multiple myeloma or metastatic cancer? Yes No DK
Date Treatment began: _____

Allergies - Are you allergic to or have you had a reaction to: To all yes responses, specify type of reaction. Yes No DK

Local anesthetics Yes No DK
Aspirin Yes No DK
Penicillin or other antibiotics Yes No DK
Barbiturates, sedatives, or sleeping pills Yes No DK
Sulfa drugs Yes No DK
Codeine or other narcotics Yes No DK

Do you use controlled substances (drugs)? Yes No DK

Do you use tobacco (smoking, snuff, chew, bidis)? Yes No DK
If so, how interested are you in stopping?

(Circle one) VERY / SOMEWHAT / NOT INTERESTED

Do you drink alcoholic beverages? Yes No DK
If yes, how much alcohol did you drink in the last 24 hours? _____
If yes, how much do you typically drink in a week? _____

WOMEN ONLY Are you:

Pregnant? Yes No DK
Number of weeks: _____
Taking birth control pills or hormonal replacement? Yes No DK
Nursing? Yes No DK

Metals Yes No DK
Latex (rubber) Yes No DK
Iodine Yes No DK
Hay fever/seasonal Yes No DK
Animals Yes No DK
Food Yes No DK
Other Yes No DK

Please mark (X) your response to indicate if you have or have not had any of the following diseases or problems.

Artificial (prosthetic) heart valve Yes No DK
Previous infective endocarditis Yes No DK
Damaged valves in transplanted heart Yes No DK
Congenital heart disease (CHD)
Unrepaired, cyanotic CHD Yes No DK
Repaired (completely) in last 6 months Yes No DK
Repaired CHD with residual defects Yes No DK

Except for the conditions listed above, antibiotic prophylaxis is no longer recommended for any other form of CHD.

Cardiovascular disease Yes No DK
Angina Yes No DK
Arteriosclerosis Yes No DK
Congestive heart failure Yes No DK
Damaged heart valves Yes No DK
Heart attack Yes No DK
Heart murmur Yes No DK
Low blood pressure Yes No DK
High blood pressure Yes No DK
Other congenital heart defects Yes No DK
Mitral valve prolapse Yes No DK
Pacemaker Yes No DK
Rheumatic fever Yes No DK
Rheumatic heart disease Yes No DK
Abnormal bleeding Yes No DK
Anemia Yes No DK
Blood transfusion Yes No DK
If yes, date: _____
Hemophilia Yes No DK
AIDS or HIV infection Yes No DK
Arthritis Yes No DK

Autoimmune disease Yes No DK
Hepatitis, jaundice or liver disease Yes No DK
Rheumatoid arthritis Yes No DK
Epilepsy Yes No DK
Systemic lupus erythematosus Yes No DK
Fainting spells or seizures Yes No DK
Asthma Yes No DK
Neurological disorders Yes No DK
Bronchitis Yes No DK
If yes, specify: _____
Emphysema Yes No DK
Sinus trouble Yes No DK
Sleep disorder Yes No DK
Tuberculosis Yes No DK
Mental health disorders Yes No DK
Specify: _____
Cancer/Chemotherapy/
Radiation Treatment Yes No DK
Recurrent Infections Yes No DK
Type of infection: _____
Chest pain upon exertion Yes No DK
Chronic pain Yes No DK
Kidney problems Yes No DK
Diabetes Type I or II Yes No DK
Night sweats Yes No DK
Eating disorder Yes No DK
Osteoporosis Yes No DK
Malnutrition Yes No DK
Persistent swollen glands in neck Yes No DK
Gastrointestinal disease Yes No DK
G.E. Reflux/persistent heartburn Yes No DK
Severe headaches/migraines Yes No DK
Ulcers Yes No DK
Severe or rapid weight loss Yes No DK
Thyroid problems Yes No DK
Sexually transmitted disease Yes No DK
Stroke Yes No DK
Excessive urination Yes No DK
Glaucoma Yes No DK

Has a physician or previous dentist recommended that you take antibiotics prior to your dental treatment? Yes No DK

Name of physician or dentist making recommendation: _____ Phone: _____

Do you have any disease, condition, or problem not listed above that you think I should know about? Yes No DK
Please explain: _____

NOTE: Both Doctor and patient are encouraged to discuss any and all relevant patient health issues prior to treatment.

I certify that I have read and understand the above and that the information given on this form is accurate. I understand the importance of a truthful health history and that my dentist and his/her staff will rely on this information for treating me. I acknowledge that my questions, if any, about inquiries set forth above have been answered to my satisfaction. I will not hold my dentist, or any other member of his/her staff, responsible for any action they take or do not take because of errors or omissions that I may have made in the completion of this form.

Signature of Patient/Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

FOR COMPLETION BY DENTIST

Comments: _____

Consent Form

Patient's Name: _____	Date of Birth: _____
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I authorize the operating Dentist and Assistant to perform any other procedures which they deem necessary or desirable in attempting to improve the condition stated on the diagnostic treatment form, or treat unhealthy or unforeseen conditions that may be encountered during operation. I know that the practice of Dentistry and Surgery is not an exact science and that therefore reputable practitioners cannot fully guarantee results.

I acknowledge that no guarantee or assurance has been made by anyone regarding the dental treatment which I have requested and authorized.

Alternative and possible reactions have been explained to me clearly and in detail. Complications, such as infection, hemorrhage and/or bleeding, scarring, contraction, possible deformities, prolong healing time over the estimate, reaction to any drug before, during and after surgery, numbness or itching of the tongue, lips, teeth, tissues (Parasthesia), fractured jaw, ect., have been clearly explained to me.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE CONSENT TO DENTAL TREATMENT AND THAT THE EXPLANATIONS THEREIN REFERRED TO WERE MADE. ANYTHING I DID NOT UNDERSTAND HAVE BEEN EXPLAINED TO ME.

1. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
2. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
3. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
4. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
5. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
6. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
7. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
8. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
9. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
10. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____
11. Treatment: _____	Signature: _____
Doctor's signature: _____ Witness: _____ Date: _____	Relation: _____ Date: _____

Consent Form

Patient's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Read and initial the items checked below. Read, sign and date the bottom of this form.

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| <p>1. <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs & Medication:
I understand that antibiotics and analgesics and other medications can cause allergic reactions causing redness and swelling of tissue, pain, itching, vomiting and/or anaphylactic shock (severe allergic reaction).</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |
| <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Changes in Treatment Plan:
I understand that during treatment it may be necessary to change or add procedures because of conditions found while working on the teeth that were not discovered during examination. The most common being root canal therapy following routine restorative procedures. I give my permission to the Dentist to make any or all changes and additions as necessary.</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |
| <p>3. <input type="checkbox"/> Anesthesia:
I realize the risk in receiving an anesthetic, some of which are upset stomach, dizziness, vomiting, sore arm, inflamed vessels of the arm, adverse reactions to drugs causing cardiac arrest, miscarriage, dislodging or chipping teeth and jaw bone.</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |
| <p>4. <input type="checkbox"/> Removal Of Teeth:
Alternatives to removal have been explained to me (root canal therapy, crowns and periodontal surgery, etc.) and I authorize the Dentist to remove the following teeth _____ and any others necessary for reason in paragraph #2. I understand removing teeth does not always remove all infection, if present, and it may be necessary to have further treatment. I understand the risk involved in having teeth removed, some of which are pain, swelling, spread of infection, dry socket, loss of feeling in my teeth, lips, tongue, and surrounding tissue (paresthesia) that can last for an indefinite period of time (days/months), or fractured jaw. I understand I may need further treatment by a specialist or even hospitalization if complications arise during or following treatment; the cost of which is my responsibility.</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |
| <p>5. <input type="checkbox"/> Crowns, Bridges, Caps:
I understand that sometimes it is not possible to match the color of natural teeth exactly with artificial teeth. I further understand that I may be wearing temporary crowns, which may come off easily and that I must be careful to ensure that they are kept on until the permanent crowns are delivered. I realize the final opportunity to make changes in my new crown, bridge, or cap (include shape, fit, size, and color) will be done before cementation.</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |
| <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> Denture, Complete or Partial:
I understand that full or partial dentures are artificial, constructed of plastic, metal, and/or porcelain. The problems of wearing these appliances have been explained to me, including looseness, soreness, and possible breakage. I realize the final opportunity to make changes in my new denture (including shape, fit, size, placement, and color) will be the "teeth in wax" TRY-IN visit. I understand that most dentures require relining, approximately 3-12 months after initial placement. The cost for the reline is not included in the initial denture fee.</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |
| <p>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Endodontic Treatment (Root Canal):
I realize there is no guarantee that root canal treatment will save my tooth and that complications can occur from the treatment and that occasionally metal objects are cemented in the tooth or extended through the root, which does not necessarily affect the success of the treatment. I understand that occasionally additional surgical procedures may be necessary following root canal treatment (apicoectomy).</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |
| <p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> Periodontal Loss (Tissue & Bone):
I understand that I have a serious condition causing gum and bone infection/loss and that it can lead to the loss of my teeth. Alternative treatment plans have been explained to me including gum surgery, replacement and/or extractions. I understand that undertaking any dental procedure may have a future adverse effect on my periodontal condition.</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |
| <p>9. <input type="checkbox"/> Fillings:
I have been advised by the Dentist that the amalgam or composite resin restoration is an acceptable procedure according to ADA guidelines and as such is a treatment used by Dr. Pugaeda. The advantages & disadvantages of alternative material has been explained to me.</p> | <p>Initial: _____
Date: _____</p> |

I understand that dentistry is not an exact science and that, therefore, reputable practitioners cannot fully guarantee results. I acknowledge that no guarantee has been made by anyone regarding the dental treatment which I have requested and authorized. I have had the opportunity to read this form and ask questions. My questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I consent to the proposed treatment.

Patient's Signature _____ Date _____

or Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Dentist's Signature _____ Date _____

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**Patient Acknowledgment of
Receipt of Dental Material Fact Sheet**

**I acknowledge that I have received from Dr. Serena G. Pugeda, D.M.D.
a copy of the Dental Material Fact Sheet dated October 17, 2001.**

(Print Patient's Name)

(Patient or Guardian's Signature)

____/____/____
(Date)

The introductory provision of the Dental Material Fact Sheet is reprinted below for reference purpose only.

The following document is the Dental Board of California's Dental Material Fact Sheet. The Department of Consumer Affairs has no position with respect to the language of this Dental Material Fact Sheet; and its linkage of the CDA web site does not constitute an endorsement of this document.

**The Dental Board of California
Dental Material Fact Sheet**

Adopted by the board on October 17, 2001

As required by Chapter 801, Statutes of 1992, the Dental Board of California has prepared this fact sheet to summarize information on the most frequently used restorative dental materials. Information on the fact sheet is intended to encourage discussion between the dentist regarding the selection of dental materials best suited for the patient's needs. It is not intended to be a complete guide to dental material science.

The most frequently used materials in restorative dentistry are amalgam, composite resin, glass ionomer cement, resin-ionomer cement, porcelain (ceramic), porcelain (fused-to-metal), gold alloys (noble) and nickel or cobalt-chrome (base-metal) alloys. Each material has its own advantages and disadvantages, benefits and risks. These and other relevant factors are compared in the attachment matrix titled "Comparison of restorative Dental Material." A glossary of Terms is also attached to assist the reader in understanding the terms used.

The statement made are supported by relevant, credible dental research published mainly between 1993-2001. In some cases, where contemporary research is sparse, we indicate our best perceptions based upon information that predates 1993.

The reader should be aware that the outcome of dental or durability of a restoration is not solely a function is influenced by the dentist's technique when placing the restoration, the ancillary materials used in the procedure, and the patient's cooperation during the procedure. Following restoration of the teeth, the longevity of the restoration will be strongly influenced by the patient's compliance with dental hygiene and home care, their diet and chewing habits.

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Notice of Cancellation

Dear Patient:

We go to great lengths in this office to see that you get quality personal dental care at the lowest possible cost.

Our ability to offer services to you in our personal manner and with reduced costs is directly dependent upon your cooperation. When we make an appointment with you, we reserve the time for you with our staff and it costs us dearly if you do not show up. Please understand our office policy regarding this matter.

It is our office policy to work with your insurance to see that you have as little financial burden as possible in receiving your dental care. Our agreement to accept your plan with little or no out of pocket cost is contingent, however, upon your agreement and commitment to **KEEP ALL APPOINTMENTS** as scheduled. Your signature below acknowledges your understanding and agreement that your failure to keep all appointments without a 24 hour notice of cancellation will result in you being charged a cancellation fee of **\$25.00** for each occurrence. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,
Dr. Serena G. Pugeda, D.M.D.
& staff.

X _____
print patient name

X _____ _____
patient or guardian signature date

Payment Notice: A service charge of \$25 or 5% of the face, whichever is greater, may be imposed immediately on any dishonored checks. After the first occurrence we will no longer accept your personal check, only cash or money order will be accepted.

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(NAME OF PRACTICE)

CONSENT FOR USE AND DISCLOSURE OF HEALTH INFORMATION

SECTION A: PATIENT GIVING CONSENT

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Patient #: _____ Social Security #: _____

SECTION B: TO THE PATIENT — PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS CAREFULLY

Purpose of Consent: By signing this form, you will consent to our use and disclosure of your protected health information to carry out treatment, payment activities, and healthcare operations.

Notice of Privacy Practices: You have the right to read our Notice of Privacy Practices before you decide whether to sign this Consent. Our Notice provides a description of our treatment, payment activities, and healthcare operations, of the uses and disclosures we may make of your protected health information, and of other important matters about your protected health information. A copy of our Notice accompanies this Consent. We encourage you to read it carefully and completely before signing this Consent.

We reserve the right to change our privacy practices as described in our Notice of Privacy Practices. If we change our privacy practices, we will issue a revised Notice of Privacy Practices, which will contain the changes. Those changes may apply to any of your protected health information that we maintain.

You may obtain a copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices, including any revisions of our Notice, at any time by contacting:

Contact Person: DR. SERENA G. PUGEDA, DMD

Telephone: 916-446-7768 Fax: 916-446-9014

E-mail: SPUGEDA@SBCGLOBAL.NET

Address: 2518 L STREET, SUITE A SACRAMENTO CA 95816

Right to Revoke: You will have the right to revoke this Consent at any time by giving us written notice of your revocation submitted to the Contact Person listed above. Please understand that revocation of this Consent will not affect any action we took in reliance on this Consent before we received your revocation, and that we may decline to treat you or to continue treating you if you revoke this Consent.

SIGNATURE

I, _____, have had full opportunity to read and consider the contents of this Consent form and your Notice of Privacy Practices. I understand that, by signing this Consent form, I am giving my consent to your use and disclosure of my protected health information to carry out treatment, payment activities and health care operations.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If this Consent is signed by a personal representative on behalf of the patient, complete the following:

Personal Representative's Name: _____

Relationship to Patient: _____

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO A COPY OF THIS CONSENT AFTER YOU SIGN IT.

Include completed Consent in the patient's chart.

REVOCAION OF CONSENT

I revoke my Consent for your use and disclosure of my protected health information for treatment, payment activities, and healthcare operations.

I understand that revocation of my Consent will not affect any action you took in reliance on my Consent before you received this written Notice of Revocation. I also understand that you may decline to treat or to continue to treat me after I have revoked my Consent.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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(NAME OF PRACTICE)

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION.

**PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.
THE PRIVACY OF YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT TO US.**

OUR LEGAL DUTY

We are required by applicable federal and state law to maintain the privacy of your health information. We are also required to give you this Notice about our privacy practices, our legal duties, and your rights concerning your health information. We must follow the privacy practices that are described in this Notice while it is in effect. This Notice takes effect 04/14/03, and will remain in effect until we replace it.

We reserve the right to change our privacy practices and the terms of this Notice at any time, provided such changes are permitted by applicable law. We reserve the right to make the changes in our privacy practices and the new terms of our Notice effective for all health information that we maintain, including health information we created or received before we made the changes. Before we make a significant change in our privacy practices, we will change this Notice and make the new Notice available upon request.

You may request a copy of our Notice at any time. For more information about our privacy practices, or for additional copies of this Notice, please contact us using the information listed at the end of this Notice.

USES AND DISCLOSURES OF HEALTH INFORMATION

We use and disclose health information about you for treatment, payment, and healthcare operations. For example:

Treatment: We may use or disclose your health information to a physician or other healthcare provider providing treatment to you.

Payment: We may use and disclose your health information to obtain payment for services we provide to you.

Healthcare Operations: We may use and disclose your health information in connection with our healthcare operations. Healthcare operations include quality assessment and improvement activities, reviewing the competence or qualifications of healthcare professionals, evaluating practitioner and provider performance, conducting training programs, accreditation, certification, licensing or credentialing activities.

Your Authorization: In addition to our use of your health information for treatment, payment or healthcare operations, you may give us written authorization to use your health information or to disclose it to anyone for any purpose. If you give us an authorization, you may revoke it in writing at any time. Your revocation will not affect any use or disclosures permitted by your authorization while it was in effect. Unless you give us a written authorization, we cannot use or disclose your health information for any reason except those described in this Notice.

To Your Family and Friends: We must disclose your health information to you, as described in the Patient Rights section of this Notice. We may disclose your health information to a family member, friend or other person to the extent necessary to help with your healthcare or with payment for your healthcare, but only if you agree that we may do so.

Persons Involved In Care: We may use or disclose health information to notify, or assist in the notification of (including identifying or locating) a family member, your personal representative or another person responsible for your care, of your location, your general condition, or death. If you are present, then prior to use or disclosure of your health information, we will provide you with an opportunity to object to such uses or disclosures. In the event of your incapacity or emergency circumstances, we will disclose health information based on a determination using our professional judgment disclosing only health information that is directly relevant to the person's involvement in your healthcare. We will also use our professional judgment and our experience with common practice to make reasonable inferences of your best interest in allowing a person to pick up filled prescriptions, medical supplies, x-rays, or other similar forms of health information.

Marketing Health-Related Services: We will not use your health information for marketing communications without your written authorization.

Required by Law: We may use or disclose your health information when we are required to do so by law.

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. We may disclose your health information to the extent necessary to avert a serious threat to your health or safety or the health or safety of others.

National Security: We may disclose to military authorities the health information of Armed Forces personnel under certain circumstances. We may disclose to authorized federal officials health information required for lawful intelligence, counterintelligence, and other national security activities. We may disclose to correctional institution or law enforcement official having lawful custody of protected health information of inmate or patient under certain circumstances.

Appointment Reminders: We may use or disclose your health information to provide you with appointment reminders (such as voicemail messages, postcards, or letters).

PATIENT RIGHTS

Access: You have the right to look at or get copies of your health information, with limited exceptions. You may request that we provide copies in a format other than photocopies. We will use the format you request unless we cannot practically do so. (You must make a request in writing to obtain access to your health information. You may obtain a form to request access by using the contact information listed at the end of this Notice. We will charge you a reasonable cost-based fee for expenses such as copies and staff time. You may also request access by sending us a letter to the address at the end of this Notice. If you request copies, we will charge you \$0.30 for each page, \$ 5 per hour for staff time to locate and copy your health information, and postage if you want the copies mailed to you. If you request an alternative format, we will charge a cost-based fee for providing your health information in that format. If you prefer, we will prepare a summary or an explanation of your health information for a fee. Contact us using the information listed at the end of this Notice for a full explanation of our fee structure.)

Disclosure Accounting: You have the right to receive a list of instances in which we or our business associates disclosed your health information for purposes, other than treatment, payment, healthcare operations and certain other activities, for the last 6 years, but not before April 14, 2003. If you request this accounting more than once in a 12-month period, we may charge you a reasonable, cost-based fee for responding to these additional requests.

Restriction: You have the right to request that we place additional restrictions on our use or disclosure of your health information. We are not required to agree to these additional restrictions, but if we do, we will abide by our agreement (except in an emergency).

Alternative Communication: You have the right to request that we communicate with you about your health information by alternative means or to alternative locations. (You must make your request in writing.) Your request must specify the alternative means or location, and provide satisfactory explanation how payments will be handled under the alternative means or location you request.

Amendment: You have the right to request that we amend your health information. (Your request must be in writing, and it must explain why the information should be amended.) We may deny your request under certain circumstances.

Electronic Notice: If you receive this Notice on our Web site or by electronic mail (e-mail), you are entitled to receive this Notice in written form.

QUESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS

If you want more information about our privacy practices or have questions or concerns, please contact us.

If you are concerned that we may have violated your privacy rights, or you disagree with a decision we made about access to your health information or in response to a request you made to amend or restrict the use or disclosure of your health information or to have us communicate with you by alternative means or at alternative locations, you may complain to us using the contact information listed at the end of this Notice. You also may submit a written complaint to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. We will provide you with the address to file your complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services upon request.

We support your right to the privacy of your health information. We 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.

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