



SHEPHERD CENTER  
 HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT  
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Patient Name : \_\_\_\_\_

SS# : \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Med. Rec. #: \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

I \_\_\_\_\_ authorize: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

to use or disclose (a copy) of my health information as identified below to Shepherd Spine and Pain Institute  
New Patient Coordinator Fax: 404-603-4418 Office: 404-603-4203

for the following purposes:  Continuing Care and Treatment  Insurance Claim  Legal  
 Personal Use  Other, describe \_\_\_\_\_

By initialing the spaces below, I specifically authorize the use and disclosure of the following health information and/or medical records, if such information and/or medical records exist: **Please initial beside the checks below**

\_\_\_ Discharge Summary/Discharge Note  History/Physical Exam \_\_\_ Consultation Reports

Progress Notes \_\_\_ Physician Orders \_\_\_ Nurses' Notes \_\_\_ Laboratory Reports

Diagnostic Imaging Reports \_\_\_ Therapy Notes, describe \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Billing Statements

\_\_\_ Entire Medical Record Including Nurses' Notes \_\_\_ Entire Medical Record Excluding Nurses' Notes

Other: Last three office notes, MRi report, Medication List and Demographic sheet

Specify period of time for which authorization applies: \_\_\_\_\_

**IF THIS AUTHORIZATION IS FOR THE USE OR DISCLOSURE OF PSYCHOTHERAPY INFORMATION, THEN IT CANNOT BE COMBINED WITH ANY OTHER AUTHORIZATION.**

\_\_\_ Psychotherapy Progress Notes \_\_\_ Psychotherapy Physician Orders \_\_\_ Psychotherapy Evaluation

\_\_\_ Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Specify period of time for which authorization applies: \_\_\_\_\_

Certain Other Health Information For Use or Disclosure

I understand that for certain information to be disclosed, state or federal laws and regulations require my specific written authorization as follows (please initial to verify authorized use or disclosure)

\_\_\_ HIV / AIDS related health information \_\_\_ Genetic testing information and/or records
\_\_\_ Mental health information and/or records \_\_\_ Drug/alcohol diagnosis, treatment or referral information

Federal regulations require a description of how much and what kind of information is to be disclosed. Describe information for use or disclosure:

\_\_\_ Dictation Physician Reports \_\_\_ Progress Notes \_\_\_ Physician Orders \_\_\_ Lab and/or Other Diagnostics
\_\_\_ Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Specify period of time for which authorization applies: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that if the person or entity receiving the information is not a health care provider or health care plan covered by federal privacy regulations, the information described above and on the reverse side of this page may be redisclosed and no longer protected by these regulations. The recipient may be prohibited from disclosing substance abuse information under the federal substance abuse confidentiality requirements.

I understand that the person I am authorizing to use or disclose the information may receive compensation for doing so. I further understand that I may refuse to sign this authorization and that my refusal to sign will not affect my ability to obtain treatment or payment or my eligibility for benefits. I may inspect or copy any information to be use or disclosed under this authorization.

Finally, I understand that I may revoke this authorization in writing at any time, provided that I do so in writing, except to the extent that action has been taken in reliance upon this authorization. Unless revoked earlier, this authorization will expire 180 days from the date of the signing or until \_\_\_\_\_.



Signature of patient or patient's legal representative Date

Print name of patient

Print name of patient's legal representative if applicable Relationship to Patient

\_\_\_ Patient is unable to sign authorization but gives verbal approval for the use or disclosure of health information as described in this authorization.

Reason patient is unable to sign authorization : \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of witness Date

Print name of witness