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“Uncompromising Excellence. Commitment to Personalized care”

Welcome to Gold Canyon Internal Medicine,

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the following forms for your medical records with our office. This will make your first time visit a more pleasurable experience, with less waiting time.

Please remember to bring all prescription, and non-prescription drugs you are taking, along with your insurance cards, and photo identification.


Please review the check list of forms:

- Patient Registration
- Health History Questionnaire
- Authorization to Release Health Care Information
- HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices
- Acknowledgement of Notice of Privacy Practices and Consent for Treatment
- Financial Policy

We look forward to meeting you and sincerely hope that your medical care with our office is a pleasant and positive experience. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call our office.

Sincerely,

The Staff of Gold Canyon Internal Medicine



Gold Canyon Internal Medicine REGISTRATION FORM

Today's Date:

PATIENT INFORMATION

Patient's last name:		First:	Middle:	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs.	<input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Marital status: Single <input type="checkbox"/> Mar <input type="checkbox"/> Div <input type="checkbox"/> Sep <input type="checkbox"/> Wid <input type="checkbox"/>	
Is this your legal name? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If not, what is your legal name?	(Former name):			Birth date:	Age:	Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F
Social Security no.:	Home phone no.:	Mobile phone no.:			Work phone no.: ()		
Primary Address		City:	State:		ZIP Code:		
Secondary Address		City:	State:		ZIP Code:		
Occupation:	Employer:			Employer phone no.: ()			
Language: <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> Other:							
Race/Ethnicity: <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska native <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Other:							

INSURANCE INFORMATION

(Please give your insurance card to the receptionist.)

Person responsible for bill:	Birth date:	Address (if different):		Home phone no.: ()	
Is this person a patient here? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Occupation:	Employer:	Employer address:		Employer phone no.: ()	
Is this patient covered by insurance? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Name of primary insurance					
Subscriber's name:	Subscriber's S.S. no.:	Birth date:	Group no.:	Policy no.:	Co-payment: \$
Patient's relationship to subscriber:	<input type="checkbox"/> Self	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse	<input type="checkbox"/> Child	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Name of secondary insurance (if applicable):		Subscriber's name:		Group no.:	Policy no.:
Patient's relationship to subscriber:	<input type="checkbox"/> Self	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse	<input type="checkbox"/> Child	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Name of local friend or relative (not living at same address):	Relationship to patient:	Home phone no.: ()	Work phone no.: ()
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The above information is true to the best of my knowledge. I authorize my insurance benefits be paid directly to the physician. I understand that I am financially responsible for any balance. I also authorize Gold Canyon Internal Medicine or insurance company to release any information required to process my claims.

Patient/Guardian signature

Date

Original Date: 01/30/2018

Dates Revised:

Gold Canyon Internal Medicine HEALTH HISTORY QUESTIONNAIRE

All questions contained in this questionnaire are strictly confidential and will become part of your medical record.

Name (<i>Last, First, M.I.</i>):	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	DOB:
Marital status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Partnered <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed	
Previous or referring doctor:	Date of last physical exam or annual wellness visit:	

CHILDHOOD ILLNESSES AND IMMUNIZATIONS

Childhood illness:	<input type="checkbox"/> Measles <input type="checkbox"/> Mumps <input type="checkbox"/> Rubella <input type="checkbox"/> Chickenpox <input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatic Fever <input type="checkbox"/> Polio		
Immunizations and dates:	Tetanus	<input type="checkbox"/> Tdap (<i>Tetanus/diphtheria/Pertussis</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Td (<i>Tetanus/diphtheria</i>)
	Pneumonia	<input type="checkbox"/> Pneumovax	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevnar 13
	Hepatitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis A	<input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis B
	<input type="checkbox"/> Influenza	<input type="checkbox"/> HPV/Gardasil	<input type="checkbox"/> MMR (<i>Measles, Mumps, Rubella</i>)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Zostavax (Shingles)	<input type="checkbox"/> Chickenpox (Varicella)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other		

MEDICAL HISTORY

Check if you have, or have had, any symptoms in the following areas to a significant degree and briefly explain.

<input type="checkbox"/> Acid Reflux	<input type="checkbox"/> Heart murmur	<input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis or Osteopenia
<input type="checkbox"/> Anemia	<input type="checkbox"/> Hemorrhoids	<input type="checkbox"/> Pacemaker or Defibrillator
<input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis	<input type="checkbox"/> Hernias	<input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia
<input type="checkbox"/> Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/> High cholesterol	<input type="checkbox"/> Seizure disorder
<input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding Disorder	<input type="checkbox"/> HIV	<input type="checkbox"/> Shingles
<input type="checkbox"/> Blood Clots	<input type="checkbox"/> Hypertension	<input type="checkbox"/> Sinusitis
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronchitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Irregular heart beat	<input type="checkbox"/> Skin disease
<input type="checkbox"/> Cancer (type)	<input type="checkbox"/> Irritable bowel	<input type="checkbox"/> Sleep apnea
<input type="checkbox"/> Colitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Kidney disease	<input type="checkbox"/> STI (Sexually Transmitted Infection)
<input type="checkbox"/> Colon Polyps	<input type="checkbox"/> Liver disease	<input type="checkbox"/> Stomach Ulcers
<input type="checkbox"/> COPD	<input type="checkbox"/> Lupus	<input type="checkbox"/> Stroke or TIA
<input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/> Lyme disease	<input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid disorder
<input type="checkbox"/> Diverticulosis/Diverticulitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Meningitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Tremors
<input type="checkbox"/> Eye disorder	<input type="checkbox"/> Migraine	<input type="checkbox"/> Valley fever
<input type="checkbox"/> Heart attack	<input type="checkbox"/> Nasal allergies	<input type="checkbox"/> Varicose veins

Have you ever had a blood transfusion?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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Surgeries		
Year	Reason	Hospital
Other hospitalizations		
Year	Reason	Hospital

List your prescribed drugs, inhalers and over-the-counter drugs such as vitamins		
Name the Drug	Strength	Frequency Taken

Allergies to medications	
Name the Drug	Reaction You Had

HEALTH HABITS AND PERSONAL SAFETY			
ALL QUESTIONS CONTAINED IN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE ARE OPTIONAL AND WILL BE KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.			
Exercise	<input type="checkbox"/> Sedentary (No exercise)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mild exercise (i.e., climb stairs, walk 3 blocks, golf)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Occasional vigorous exercise (i.e., work or recreation, less than 4x/week for 30 min.)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular vigorous exercise (i.e., work or recreation 4x/week for 30 minutes)		
Diet	Are you dieting?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	If yes, are you on a physician prescribed medical diet?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	# of meals you eat in an average day?		
	Rank salt intake	<input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Med <input type="checkbox"/> Low	
	Rank fat intake	<input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Med <input type="checkbox"/> Low	

HEALTH HABITS AND PERSONAL SAFETY (continued)					
Caffeine	<input type="checkbox"/> None	<input type="checkbox"/> Coffee	<input type="checkbox"/> Tea	<input type="checkbox"/> Cola	
	# of cups/cans per day?				
Alcohol	Do you drink alcohol?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	If yes, what kind?				
	How many drinks per week?				
	Are you concerned about the amount you drink?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Have you considered stopping?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Have you ever experienced blackouts?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Are you prone to "binge" drinking?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Do you drive after drinking?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Tobacco	Do you use tobacco?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cigarettes – pks./day	<input type="checkbox"/> Chew - #/day	<input type="checkbox"/> Pipe - #/day	<input type="checkbox"/> Cigars - #/day	
	<input type="checkbox"/> # of years	<input type="checkbox"/> Or year quit			
Drugs	Do you currently use recreational or street drugs?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Have you ever given yourself street drugs with a needle?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Sex	Are you sexually active?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	If yes, are you trying for a pregnancy?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	If not trying for a pregnancy list contraceptive or barrier method used:				
	Any discomfort with intercourse?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Illness related to the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), such as AIDS, has become a major public health problem. Risk factors for this illness include intravenous drug use and unprotected sexual intercourse. Would you like to speak with your provider about your risk of this illness?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Personal Safety	Do you live alone?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Do you have frequent falls?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Do you have vision or hearing loss?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Do you have an Advance Directive or Living Will? If yes, please provide a copy.			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Would you like information on the preparation of these?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Physical and/or mental abuse have also become major public health issues in this country. This often takes the form of verbally threatening behavior or actual physical or sexual abuse. Would you like to discuss this issue with your provider?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

FAMILY HEALTH HISTORY

	AGE	SIGNIFICANT HEALTH PROBLEMS		AGE	SIGNIFICANT HEALTH PROBLEMS
Father			Children	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	
Mother				<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	
Sibling	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F			<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	
	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F		<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F		
	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F		Grandmother <i>Maternal</i>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F		Grandfather <i>Maternal</i>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F		Grandmother <i>Paternal</i>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F		Grandfather <i>Paternal</i>		

MENTAL HEALTH

Is stress a major problem for you?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you feel depressed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you panic when stressed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you have problems with eating or your appetite?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you cry frequently?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you ever attempted suicide?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you ever seriously thought about hurting yourself?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you have trouble sleeping?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you ever been to a counselor?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

WOMEN ONLY

Age at onset of menstruation:		
Date of last menstruation:		
Period every ____ days		
Heavy periods, irregularity, spotting, pain, or discharge?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Number of pregnancies ____ Number of live births ____		
Are you pregnant or breastfeeding?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you had a D&C, hysterectomy, or Cesarean?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Any urinary tract, bladder, or kidney infections within the last year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Any blood in your urine?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Any problems with control of urination?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Any hot flashes or sweating at night?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you have menstrual tension, pain, bloating, irritability, or other symptoms at or around time of period?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Experienced any recent breast tenderness, lumps, or nipple discharge?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

MEN ONLY

Do you usually get up to urinate during the night?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, # of times ____		
Do you feel pain or burning with urination?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Any blood in your urine?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you feel burning discharge from penis?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Has the force of your urination decreased?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you had any kidney, bladder, or prostate infections within the last 12 months?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you have any problems emptying your bladder completely?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Any difficulty with erection or ejaculation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Any testicle pain or swelling?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

REVIEW OF SYSTEMS

Most of the following medical problems will probably **NOT** apply to you. Check items that **DO** apply at the present time.

<input type="checkbox"/> Fever	<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty Swallowing	<input type="checkbox"/> Blood in the stool
<input type="checkbox"/> Chills	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful Swallowing	<input type="checkbox"/> Black tarry stools
<input type="checkbox"/> Sweating at night	<input type="checkbox"/> Cough	<input type="checkbox"/> Constipation
<input type="checkbox"/> Weakness	<input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of Breath	<input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea
<input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue	<input type="checkbox"/> Wheezing	<input type="checkbox"/> Assistive Device (Cane/Walker/Wheelchair)
<input type="checkbox"/> Weight gain <i>(more than 10 lbs. in the past year)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness
<input type="checkbox"/> Weight loss <i>(more than 10 lbs. in the past year)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ankle or leg swelling	<input type="checkbox"/> Blackouts or fainting spells
<input type="checkbox"/> Blurred vision	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxygen Use	<input type="checkbox"/> Stroke symptoms
<input type="checkbox"/> Double vision	<input type="checkbox"/> Numbness or weakness of arms or legs	<input type="checkbox"/> Problem with coordination
<input type="checkbox"/> Glaucoma	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip, calf, or thigh pain while walking	<input type="checkbox"/> Slurred Speech
<input type="checkbox"/> Cataracts	<input type="checkbox"/> Indigestion	<input type="checkbox"/> Rash
<input type="checkbox"/> Nose Bleeds	<input type="checkbox"/> Nausea	<input type="checkbox"/> Change in mole or skin lesion
<input type="checkbox"/> Dentures	<input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Aid

PREVENTATIVE SCREENING

Exam/Test (indicate last date performed)

<input type="checkbox"/> Cholesterol (Lipid Panel)	<input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes (Glucose or HbA1c)
<input type="checkbox"/> Cardiovascular Disease (EKG)	<input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis (Bone Density)
<input type="checkbox"/> Prostate Cancer (PSA/Digital Rectal Exam)	<input type="checkbox"/> Breast Cancer (Mammogram)
<input type="checkbox"/> Cervical Cancer (Pap Smear)	<input type="checkbox"/> Colon Cancer (Colonoscopy or FOBT)
<input type="checkbox"/> Abdominal Aorta Aneurysm (AAA)	<input type="checkbox"/> Carotid Artery Disease (Ultrasound)
<input type="checkbox"/> Peripheral Arterial Disease (ABI)	<input type="checkbox"/> Eye Exam
<input type="checkbox"/> Kidney Disease (Urine Microalbumin)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

PREFERRED PHARMACY INFORMATION

LOCAL		MAIL ORDER	
Pharmacy Name:		Pharmacy Name:	
Address:		Address:	
City/State/Zip:		City/State/Zip:	
Phone:	Fax:	Phone:	Fax:

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AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE HEALTHCARE INFORMATION

Patient's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Previous Name: _____ Social Security #: _____

I request and authorize _____ to
release healthcare information of the patient named above to:

Name: Gold Canyon Internal Medicine

Address: 6788 S. Kings Ranch Road, Suite 1

City: Gold Canyon State: AZ Zip Code: 85118

Fax: 480 304 3239

This request and authorization applies to:

Healthcare information relating to the following treatment, condition, or dates: _____

All healthcare information

Other: _____

Definition: Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) as defined by law, RCW 70.24 et seq., includes herpes, herpes simplex, human papilloma virus, wart, genital wart, condyloma, Chlamydia, non-specific urethritis, syphilis, VDRL, chancroid, lymphogranuloma venereuem, HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus), AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome), and gonorrhoea.

Yes No I authorize the release of my STD results, HIV/AIDS testing, whether negative or positive, to the person(s) listed above. I understand that the person(s) listed above will be notified that I must give specific written permission before disclosure of these test results to anyone.

Yes No I authorize the release of any records regarding drug, alcohol, or mental health treatment to the person(s) listed above.

Patient Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

Gold Canyon Internal Medicine

PRACTICE FINANCIAL POLICY

CO-PAYMENTS AND DEDUCTIBLES: These payments must be made either at time of service or at check-in. This arrangement is part of your contract with your insurance company. Failure on our part to collect co-payments and deductibles from patients is considered a violation of contract and fraud. Please help us uphold the law by making your co-payments at each visit and paying deductibles owed at the beginning of the year (including Medicare deductibles and 20% co-insurance).

CLAIM SUBMISSION: As a courtesy to you, we will process and file your insurance claims for services rendered by our Practice. Your insurance company may need additional information from you to process a claim, and it is your responsibility to comply with their request. If your insurance company has not paid your claim within 60 days, the balance becomes your responsibility. We encourage you to contact your insurance carrier personally in order to remain informed of your benefits.

NON-COVERED SERVICES: Not all services are covered by insurance; they vary from contract to contract. Some insurance companies arbitrarily select certain services they will not cover or which they may consider not medically necessary. In these instances, you will be responsible for these services. We will make every effort to ascertain your coverage for our services before treatment and make you aware of our findings. However, this does not guarantee payment from your insurance carrier.

For services that are not covered by insurance, the Practice requires payment of 100% of the total charges at time of service unless prior arrangements have been made.

COVERAGE CHANGES: If your insurance changes, please notify us as soon as possible so that we can update our records and help you receive the maximum benefits allowed under your coverage. If you are insured by a plan that we accept, but you do not have a current insurance card, payment is expected in full at time of service until we can verify your coverage.

NONPAYMENT: If your account is over 90 days past due, you will receive a letter stating that you have 20 days to pay your account in full or make payment arrangements with us. Please be aware that if your balance remains unpaid, we reserve the right to refer your account to a collection agency, and your account will become inactive until paid. Account balances turned over to a collection agency will accrue interest at the rate of 16% per annum, or 1.33% per month after 90 days. If your account is turned over to an attorney or pursued legally for collection, you will be responsible for all reasonable attorney's fees, filing fees, and service fees.

All Returned Checks Are Subject to a \$30.00 Fee. We realize that temporary financial problems may affect timely payment of your account. If such problems do arise, we encourage you to contact us promptly for assistance in managing your account. Our Practice is committed to providing quality medical care. Our prices are representative of the usual and customary charges for our area.

NO SHOW / CANCELLATION POLICY: A \$25.00 fee if you do not show up for a scheduled appointment or cancel the same day as your appointment. Please call us 24 hours in advance if you have to cancel your scheduled appointment.

Thank you for understanding our financial policies. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns about the above information or any uncertainty regarding your insurance coverage.

PLEASE READ THE ABOVE FINANCIAL POLICY CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

I hereby authorize photocopies of this form to be as valid as the original.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

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HIPAA NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

This Notice of Privacy Practices described how we may use and disclose your protected health information (PHI) to carry out Treatment. Payment or health Care Operations and for other purposes that are permitted by law. It also describes your rights to access and control your PHI. PHI is information about you, including demographic information that may identify you and that relates to your past, present and future physical or mental health or condition related to health care services.

Uses and Disclosures of PHI: Your PHI may be used and disclosed by your physician, our office staff and others outside of our office that are involved in your care and treatment for the purpose of providing health care services to you, to pay your healthcare bills, to support the operation of the physician's practice, and any other use required by law. At no time will any information of any kind relating to any of our patients be discussed outside of this office unless permitted or required by law.

Treatment: We will use and disclose your PHI to provide, coordinate, or manage your health care and any related services. This includes the coordination or management of your health care with a third party. For example, we would disclose your PHI, as necessary, to a home health agency that provides care to you or to a physician to whom you have been referred to ensure that the physician has the necessary information to diagnose and treat you.

Payment: Your PHI will be used, as needed, to obtain payment for your health care services. For example, approval for a hospital stay may require that your relevant PHI be disclosed to the health plan to obtain approval for hospital admission.

Healthcare Operations: We may use or disclose, as needed, your PHI in order to support business activities of your physicians practice. These activities include, but are not limited to, quality assessment activities, employee review activities, training of medical students, licensing, and conducting or arranging for other business activities. For example, we may disclose your PHI to medical school students that see patients in our office. In addition, we may use a sign-in sheet at the registration desk when you will be asked to sign your name and indicate your physician. We may also call you by name in the waiting room when your physician is ready to see you. We may also disclose your PHI as necessary to contact you and remind you of your appointment.

We are also permitted to use or disclose your PHI without your written authorization for certain purposes: AS Required By Law, Public Health Activities (e.g. preventing the spread of disease). Health Oversight Activities Abuse or Neglect, Food and Drug Administration Requirements, Legal Proceedings, Law Enforcement Purposes, Coroners, Funeral Directors and Organ Donation, Criminal Activity, Military Activity and national Security, Worker's Compensation, Inmates.

Other permitted and required uses and disclosures will be made with your authorization. You may revoke your authorization at any time, in writing, except to the extent that your physician or the physician's practice has taken an action in reliance on the use or disclosure indicated in the authorization.

We may not receive direct or indirect remuneration in exchange for your PHI without your authorization except in limited circumstances permitted by law. We may contact you to give you information about products or services related to your treatment, case management or care coordination, or to direct or recommend other treatments or health related benefits and services. We do not receive any compensation in connection with communications with you about any products or services, except we may communicate with you about prescription drugs or biologics and receive payment from the manufacturer that is reasonable in amount and compensates us for the cost we incurred in connection with that communication. Except for the communications about drugs and biologics, we will obtain your authorization if we will receive direct or indirect payment for communications with you.

We may enter into contract with entities known as Business Associates that provide services to or perform functions on our behalf.

We may disclose PHI to Business Associates once they have agreed in writing to safeguard the PHI. For example, we may disclose PHI to a Business Associate to administer claims. Business Associates are also required by law to protect PHI.

Under the law, we must make disclosures to you and when required by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to investigate or determine our compliance with the requirements of Section 164-500.

Your individual rights: The following is a statement of your rights with respect to your PHI.

You have the right to inspect and copy your PHI. We use or maintain electronic health records. You may get that information in electronic format and ask us to send it to a person or organization that you identify. Under federal law, however, you may not inspect or copy the following records: psychotherapy notes, information compiled in reasonable anticipation of or use in civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, and PHI that is subject to law that prohibits access to PHI.

You have the right to request a restriction on the use or disclosure of your PHI. This means you may ask us not to use or disclose any part of your PHI for the purpose of treatment, Payment or Health Care Operations. You may also request that that any part of your PHI not be disclosed to family members or friends who may be involved in your care or for notification purposes as described in this Notice of Privacy Practices. Your request must be in writing and state the specific restrictions to apply. We will consider your request, but in most cases are not legally obligated to agree to those restrictions (e.g., if your physician believes it is in your best interest to permit use and disclosure of your PHI, your PHI will not be restricted but you then have the right to use another Health Care Provider. However, we will comply with any restrictions requested if the disclosure is to a health plan for purposes of payment or health care operations (not for treatment) and the PHI pertains solely to a health care item or service that has been paid for out-of-pocket and in full.

You have the right to request and receive confidential communications from us by alternative means or an alternative location.

You have the right to have your physician amend your PHI. If we deny your request for amendment, you have the right to file a statement of disagreement with us and we may prepare a rebuttal to your statement and will provide you a copy of any such rebuttal.

You have the right to receive an accounting of certain disclosures we have made, if any, of your PHI. Your request for an accounting must be submitted in writing. If we use or maintain an electronic health record for you, you may get a list of the disclosures we have made, if any, of your electronic health record for three years prior to the date of your request. For accountings that do not include disclosures made through an electronic health record, the request may not cover a time period longer than six years from the date of the request.

You have the right to be notified of a breach. You have the right to be notified in the event that one of our Business Associates discovers a breach of your unsecured PHI. Notice of any such breach will be made in accordance with federal requirements.

You have the right to obtain a paper copy of this notice from us, upon request, even if you have agreed to accept this notice alternatively i.e. electronically. This notice was published and becomes effective on or before March 1, 2001. We reserve the right to change the terms of this notice and will inform you by mail of any changes. You then have the right to object or withdraw as provided by this notice, you may also request a copy of this notice at any time. You may lodge a complaint to us or the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services if you believe your privacy rights have been violated by us. You may also file a complaint with us by notifying our HIPAA Compliance Officer. We will not retaliate against you for filing a complaint.

We are required by law to maintain the privacy of PHI with our HIPAA Compliance Officer in person or by phone at 480 626-1089.
