

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION<sup>1</sup>

Patient Name \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ SSN # \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

I authorize \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Address

To disclose the information described below to

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Address

Specific description of information (including date(s) of service)

*If information includes mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment or HIV-related information it will not be released unless the reverse side of this form is completed.*

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

The disclosure is for the following purpose(s) \_\_\_\_\_

*If the disclosure is at the request of the patient, then indicate on the line above, or specify other purpose (i.e., marketing; research)*

This release is for marketing purposes and Eyecare Centre is being compensated for the disclosure by \_\_\_\_\_

*Strike the above provision if not applicable.*

This release expires on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ or one year from the date signed.

I understand that I may refuse to sign this authorization or revoke this authorization at any time. I understand that my revocation or refusal to sign this authorization will not affect my ability to obtain health care services unless the services are at the request of the party to whom the protected health information will be disclosed. I also understand that if I revoke, the revocation will take effect on the day it is received in writing as explained in our notice of privacy practices as provided to you.

I further understand that, except in the case of substance abuse, mental health, or AIDS-related information, if the person or entity that receives the information requested is not covered by the federal privacy regulations or is not a business associate of these entities, the information described above may be redisclosed and will no longer be protected by the regulations.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Patient or Patient's Legal Representative

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Printed name of patient's legal representative \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the patient \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> This authorization was drafted to comply with the Federal HIPAA privacy rule and applicable Iowa law.

SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION PROTECTED BY STATE OR FEDERAL LAW  
CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT, OR AIDS-RELATED INFORMATION

I acknowledge that information to be released may include material that is protected by Federal and/or State law applicable to substance abuse, mental health, and/or AIDS-related information. I SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZE the release of confidential information relating to [write YES or NO in ALL applicable boxes]

\_\_\_\_\_ Substance abuse (drug or alcohol) information from:

\_\_\_\_\_ Mental health information from:

\_\_\_\_\_ AIDS-related information, diagnosis, and test results from:

Furthermore, I SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZE disclosure and redisclosure of this confidential information to all of the persons referred to.

In order for the above information to be released, you must sign here AND on the reverse of this form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Patient or Patient's Legal Representative

Date \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Printed name of patient's legal representative \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the patient \_\_\_\_\_

Note to provider:

Federal and/or State law specifically require that any disclosure or redisclosure of substance abuse, or mental health, or AIDS-related information must be accompanied by the following written statement:

This information has been disclosed to you from records protected by Federal confidentiality rules (42 CFR Part 2). The Federal rules prohibit you from making any further disclosure of this information unless further disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent of the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by 42 CFR Part 2. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose. The Federal rules restrict any use of the information to criminally investigate or prosecute any alcohol or drug abuse patient.

See also Chapter 228 of the Iowa Code and Section 141.23(3) of the Iowa Code and other applicable laws.

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