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AUTHORIZATION TO DISCLOSE HEALTH INFORMATION

Patient Name: _____ ID Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____

By my signature below, I hereby authorize the use or disclosure of my individually identifiable health information as described below. I understand that this authorization is voluntary. I understand that if the organization authorized to receive the information is not a health plan or health care provider, the released information may no longer be protected by federal privacy regulations.

Persons/organizations providing the information:	**Persons/organizations receiving the information:**
Specific description of information (including dates):	**Purpose of requested use or disclosure:**

The patient or the patient's representative must read and initial the following statements:

		Initials
1.	I understand that this authorization will expire on ___/___/___ (DD/MM/YR). If I fail to specify an expiration date, this authorization will expire in six months.	
2.	I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time by notifying the providing organization in writing. I understand that the revocation will not apply to information that has already been released in response to this authorization and will not apply to my insurance company when the law provides my insurer with the right to contest a claim under my policy.	
3.	I understand that my healthcare and the payment for my health care will not be affected if I do not sign this form.	
4.	I understand that I may see and copy the information described on this form and will receive a copy of this form after it is signed.	
5.	If I have questions about disclosure of my health information, I can contact the office staff or the physician.	

_____ _____
Signature of Patient or Legal Representative Date

_____ _____
If Signed by Legal Representative, Relationship to Patient Signature of Witness

This document will be retained by the providing organization for six years.