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**\*\*Authorization for Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information (Required by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164)\*\***

**\*\*1. Authorization\*\*** I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ (healthcare provider) to use and disclose the protected health information described below to \_\_\_\_\_ (individual seeking the information).

**\*\*2. Effective Period\*\*** This authorization for release of information covers the period of healthcare from:

a.  \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. **\*\*OR\*\*** b.  all past, present, and future periods.

**\*\*3. Extent of Authorization\*\*** a.  I authorize the release of my complete health record (including records relating to mental health care, communicable diseases, HIV or AIDS, and treatment of alcohol or drug abuse). **\*\*OR\*\*** b.  I authorize the release of my complete health record with the exception of the following information:  Mental health records  Communicable diseases (including HIV and AIDS)

Alcohol/drug abuse treatment

Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

4. This medical information may be used by the person I authorize to receive this information for medical treatment or consultation, billing or claims payment, or other purposes as I may direct.

5. This authorization shall be in force and effect until \_\_\_\_\_ (date or event), at which time this authorization expires.

6. I understand that I have the right to revoke this authorization, in writing, at any time. I understand that a revocation is not effective to the extent that any person or entity has already acted in reliance on my authorization or if my authorization was obtained as a condition of obtaining insurance coverage and the insurer has a legal right to contest a claim.

7. I understand that my treatment, payment, enrollment, or eligibility for benefits will not be conditioned on whether I sign this authorization.

8. I understand that information used or disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be disclosed by the recipient and may no longer be protected by federal or state law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of patient or personal representative

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Printed name of patient or personal representative and his or her relationship to patient

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date