This form authorizes Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC) to use and/or disclose protected health information in the manner described below and is voluntary. CCHMC will not condition treatment, payment, enrollment or eligibility for benefits on the execution of this Authorization. The information used or disclosed as a result of this Authorization may be subject to re-disclosure by the person or entity receiving such information, and no longer protected by the federal privacy regulations. Please see the back of this form for tips for requesting medical record copies.

NOTE: Failure to complete each section of this form in its entirety (including dates needed) may significantly delay the processing of your request.

**Authorization for Use and/or Disclosure of Protected Health Information (PHI)**

**MEDICAL RECORD #: ___________________ CSN / ACCT #: ___________________ (completed by CCHMC)**

This form authorizes CCHMC to use and/or disclose protected health information in the manner described below.

**Purpose**

- **Patient Care**
- **Personal Use**
- **Disability**
- **Military**
- **Other**

Records are to be released for the following purpose(s): (please select all that apply)

- **Medical Care**, patient has an appointment on the following date: _________
- **Attorney/Legal**
- **Personal**
- **Insurance**
- **Disability/SSI**
- **Education**
- **Military**
- **Other: ____________________________**

**Dates of Treatment Requested:** Last 2 years of active treatment will be provided unless specified. Dates: _________

**Information to Release:**

- **Discharge Summary**
- **Emergency Department Record**
- **History & Physical**
- **Operative Reports**
- **Inpatient Consult Reports, Specify MD/Specialty:** ____________________________
- **Outpatient Clinic Notes, Specify Clinic(s):** _________________________________
- **Lab Reports**
- **Radiology Images**
- **Registration Sheets**
- **Other:** ____________________________
- **Other:** ____________________________

**Other Information Requested:**

- **Immunizations**
- **Radiology Reports**
- **Registration Sheets**
- **Other:** ____________________________
- **Other:** ____________________________

**Patient/Parent/Legal Guardian:**

- **Parent**
- **Legal Guardian**
- **GAL/CASA:**

Unlimited otherwise revoked, this Authorization will expire one (1) year from the date signed or, if specified on the following date (optional):

Date: _________

**Signature of Patient:**

(If 18 years of age or older OR is an emancipated minor)

Date: _________

**Signature of Parent [ ] Legal Guardian [ ] GAL/CASA:**

Date: _________

Note: If Legal Guardian, GAL/CASA is checked, documentation establishing relationship must be provided, or on record, in order to comply with this request.

**Submit**

Verify that all sections are completed in full, signed and dated. Upon completion, please do one of the following:

- Mail the completed form via US Mail to: Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center 3333 Burnet Avenue, ML 5015 Cincinnati, Ohio 45229-3039
- Fax the Form to: (513) 636-6729
- E-mail the Form to: him1@cchmc.org

**Request Has Been Fulfilled:**

- Yes, Name __________________ Date _________ Page Count _________
Tips for Requesting Medical Record Copies

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- **Did You Know:** Authorization forms signed by someone other than the Patient (if 18 years of age or older, or an emancipated minor*), or the patient’s parent (if under the age of 18) **must** be accompanied by guardianship documentation signed by a Judge or Magistrate.

  *Emancipated Minor:* (from ORC 2919.121) A minor shall be considered “emancipated” if the minor has married, entered the armed services of the United States, become employed and self-subsisting, or has otherwise become independent from the care and control of (his/her parent, guardian, or custodian.

- **Did You Know:** Requests for “ALL” information (which includes for example: progress notes, nurses notes, flowsheets, consent forms, etc.) can **considerably delay** processing of your request and become very costly. If you need assistance determining what to request, please ask the person/entity authorized to receive the information what they need, or contact a Health Information Management (HIM) Department representative at (513) 636-4217, Option 1 and we will be happy to assist you.

- **Did You Know:** When requesting dates of service, an Abstract (see definition below) of the medical records from the last 2 years of active treatment will be released, unless otherwise specified. If additional records are needed, please specify dates.

- **Did You Know:** If the information requested is for **continuing patient care, patient/parent/legal guardian use or disability purposes** the receiving entity generally only wants an Abstract of pertinent information.

**Medical Record Abstract** contains the following documentation:

- Discharge Summary – from an Inpatient stay, this document is a summary of the care, treatment, services provided and progress toward established goals of an inpatient stay
- Emergency Record – this record documents a summary of the care, treatment and services provided for a visit to the emergency room
- History & Physical – this form details the present illness or care needs and denotes any relevant past history
- Inpatient Consultation Report(s) – this report documents the findings of a physician asked to examine a patient during an inpatient or observation stay
- Operative/Procedure Report(s) – this report details the surgeon/proceduralist’s findings, technical procedures used, specimens removed and postoperative diagnosis
- Outpatient Clinic Note(s) – notes from outpatient office/therapy visits
- X-Ray Reports, Labs or Other Tests – radiology, lab results, and other tests including echocardiograms and EKG’s

- **Did You Know:** Records sent to patient/parent/legal guardians or to providers for continuing patient care, are **not** charged. If records are being sent to another person/entity, there may be a charge, see below.

The person/entity identified to receive records will be sent a prepayment invoice upon determination of total cost.

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Fees are reviewed periodically and are based on the State of Ohio ORC 3701.742 or the HIPAA HITECH ACT.

- **Did You Know:** If you did not specify records to be released on paper or CD, the records will be released on CD if 500 pages or more.

- **Did You Know:** The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) allows healthcare providers **30 days to process records** requested by patients/parents/legal guardians with an acceptable extension period of 30 days when required. CCHMC strives to provide records more timely, however occasionally the full 30 days are required.

- **Did You Know:** If you’ve selected “Reviewed in HIM”, an appointment needs to be scheduled. An HIM Department representative will contact you when the records are ready to be reviewed.

- **Did You Know:** If you’ve requested release of records through the patient’s CCHMC MyChart account, please note that only those records documented in the electronic medical record system can be sent through MyChart. Also Radiology images cannot be sent through MyChart. Images are placed on a CD and sent through the mail.