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Dear Patient/Parent/Caregiver:

Welcome to our practice. Attached are several forms to fill out and sign to help us gather information regarding you and your family. Also enclosed are documents containing summary information about the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA), a federal law that provides privacy protections and patient rights with regard to the use and disclosure of your Protected Health Information (PHI) used for the purpose of treatment, payment and health care operations. The law requires that we provide you with a Notice of Privacy Policies (which is attached) and obtain your signature acknowledging that we have provided you with the information.

We encourage you to complete these forms prior to your first appointment and forward to info@mailppa.com or fax to (305) 936-1022. If you are unable to, please bring them to your first appointment.

Every member of our professional and support team has been chosen for their caring attitudes as well as their professional credentials. If you should have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

Warmest Regards,

Pediatric Psychology Associates



ADULT INTAKE/HISTORY FORM

Name _____ Date _____

Age _____ Birthdate _____ Birthplace _____

Home Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Cell _____ Home Phone _____ Work _____

Occupation _____

Name of person completing this form (if different from patient): _____

Name and number of person to contact in case of emergency: _____

Please note that we provide courtesy appointment reminders through email.

Please list your email below if you would like a courtesy reminder.

Email address: _____

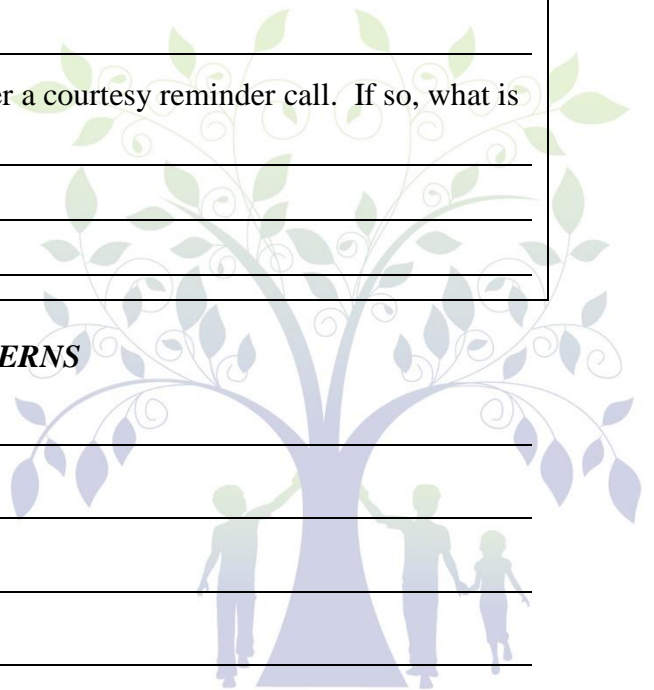
If you do not have an email account, we may be able to offer a courtesy reminder call. If so, what is the best number for a courtesy reminder call? _____

How were you referred to our office? _____

Phone number of referral source _____

PRESENTING CONCERNS

Briefly state why you are seeking treatment at this time: _____



How would you describe your current mental state? (Circle all that apply)

Calm	Happy	Tense	Worried	Irritated	Restless
Nervous	Scared	Fearful	Sad	Angry	Guilt-ridden
Unmotivated	Regretful	Disappointed	Confused	Other _____	

MEDICAL HISTORY

Primary care physician's name: _____ Phone # _____

Date of last medical checkup: _____ Was bloodwork completed? _____

What were the findings? _____

Do you currently smoke cigarettes? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, list frequency _____

Hospitalizations, serious illnesses and/or injuries (list date(s) and describe): _____

Please list any medications you are taking and for what conditions/reasons: _____

MARITAL HISTORY

___ Married ___ Single ___ Divorced ___ Widowed ___ Living with someone

Name of spouse/significant other: _____ Age: _____

Is this your first marriage: Yes ___ No ___ N/A ___ Years Married/Years living together: _____

Briefly describe your relationship with your spouse/significant other: _____

FAMILY HISTORY

Children (if any):

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Patient Name: _____

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Your father's name: _____ Age: ___ Living: ___ Deceased: ___

Your mother's name: _____ Age: ___ Living: ___ Deceased: ___

If parent(s) is/are deceased, how old were you when this occurred?: _____

Number of years parents are/were married: _____

If divorced, how old were you when parents divorced: _____

Briefly describe your relationship with your parent(s): _____

Siblings (brothers/sisters):

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY

Birth order: _____ Childhood health: ___ Good ___ Fair ___ Poor

If poor, explain: _____

If you were born in another country, how old were you when you moved to the U.S.? _____

Academic history: ___ Excellent ___ Average ___ Poor

If poor, explain: _____

Highest level of education (grade/degree)? _____

Religion primarily raised in: _____

MENTAL HEALTH HISTORY

Previous Psychotherapy/Counseling? No ___ Yes ___ If yes, list date(s) and name of therapist/agency: _____

Previous Psychiatric Treatment? No ___ Yes ___ If yes, list date(s): _____

Psychiatric medication taken currently or in the past? No ___ Yes _____ If yes, date(s) and what kind? _____

Have you ever been hospitalized for mental health reasons? No ___ Yes _____ If yes, list date(s)

and place: _____

History of suicidal thoughts or threats: No ___ Yes ___ If yes, date(s) _____

Suicidal gestures and/or attempts: No ___ Yes ___ If yes, list dates and explain how _____

History of physical abuse or assault: No ___ Yes ___ If yes, date (s) _____

History of sexual abuse or assault: No ___ Yes ___ If yes, date (s) _____

History of arrest: No ___ Yes ___ If yes, please explain _____

History of incarceration: No ___ Yes ___ If yes, please explain _____

History of involvement in lawsuits: No _____ Yes _____ If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever received treatment for an eating disorder? No _____ Yes _____

If yes, please specify dates and type of treatment: _____

Have you ever received treatment for alcohol and/or drug use? No _____ Yes _____

If yes, please specify dates and type of treatment: _____

History of using alcohol or drugs? No ___ Yes ___ If yes, specify substance, quantity and when was the last time you used substance? _____

Are you currently using alcohol or drugs? No ___ Yes ___ If yes, specify substance, quantity, and frequency of use _____

Family history of substance abuse and/or mental illness? _____

CONSENT FOR TREATMENT

I voluntarily agree to, and give consent for treatment by Pediatric Psychology Associates for myself and/or my family members.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Patient Payment Responsibility and Agreement

Name of Patient _____

Please Read and Initial Each Below:

_____ I have discussed responsibility for payment for treatment and I assume financial responsibility for myself and/or my family members. I understand that payment is due at the time services are rendered unless special arrangements have been made. Length of time for therapy sessions are 1 hour for an initial consultation and 45 minutes for follow-up sessions.

_____ Because my time has been reserved exclusively for me and/or my family members, I understand that I am required to provide at least 24 hours' advance notice if unable to keep the scheduled appointment. In the event that I do not provide 24 hours' advance notice, I am financially responsible for the reserved appointment at the standard therapy hourly rate. For testing and extended sessions that are not cancelled within the time frame, I am aware that I am responsible for the number of hours blocked. We may make exceptions and waive the fee at our discretion for emergency or unusual circumstances. There may be a time when your therapist may need to cancel your appointment for an emergency; we will make every effort to reschedule you in an appropriate time frame. As a courtesy, the first 2 no shows/late cancellations will be charged at \$100.00 and all other no shows/late cancellations will be charged the full therapy rate.

_____ In order to provide effective treatment, consistency of attendance of scheduled appointments is important. Our office policy is that three (3) No Shows or Late Cancellations (less than 24 hours' notice) of scheduled appointments may result in termination of therapy or testing/assessments. If therapy or testing is resumed, then a credit card on file will be required and billed at the time of the cancellation or no show.

_____ In order to be flexible and responsive, many of our therapists are available for phone sessions and to speak with you at times when necessary. Please be advised, however, that all calls exceeding ten minutes will be billed in a pro-rated fashion on the basis of your session fee.

_____ I understand that charges will be added to my account for other professional services rendered. This charge will be in increments of 15 minutes and we will always discuss additional charges with you. Other professional services include extended contact via email, consulting with other professionals with your permission, preparation of records or treatment summaries, and the time spent performing any other service you may request of us.

I fully understand and agree to the above policies and conditions. This supplements previous agreements I may have signed. A copy of this agreement is available upon request.

Patient/Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

HIPAA Notice of Privacy and Health Information Practices

This notice describes how information about you may be used and disclosed and how you can get access to this information. Please review this document carefully and keep it for your records.

Introduction

At Pediatric Psychology Associates, we are committed to treating and using health information about you responsibly. This Notice of Health Information Practices describes the personal information we collect and how and when we use or disclose that information. It also describes your rights as they relate to your Protected Health Information. This Notice is effective June 1, 2005, and applies to all Protected Health Information as defined by Federal Regulations.

Understanding Your Health Record/Information

Each time you visit Pediatric Psychology Associates, a record of your visit is made. Typically, this record contains your symptoms, diagnoses, treatment, and a plan for future care or treatment. This information, often referred to as your health or medical record, serves as a:

- Basis for planning your care and treatment,
- Means of communicating among the many health professionals who contribute to your care,
- Legal document describing the care you received,
- Means by which you or a third-party payer (i.e., insurance company) can verify that services billed were actually provided,
- Source of information for public health officials charged with improving the health of the State and the Nation, as required by law (i.e., reporting child abuse and neglect or reporting domestic violence),
- Basis for disclosing your child's health information to a law enforcement official, for purposes such as identifying or locating an individual, in complying with a court order or subpoena, and other law enforcement purposes,
- Source for public safety. We may disclose your child's health information to appropriate persons in order to prevent or lessen a serious threat to health or safety of a particular person, or the general public, and
- Tool in educating health professionals, source of data for medical research, and tool with which we can assess and continually work to improve the care we render and the outcomes we achieve.

Understanding what is in your record and how your health information is used helps you to: ensure its accuracy, better understand who, what, when, where, and why others may access your health information, and make more informed decisions when authorizing disclosure to others.

Your Health Information Rights

Although your health record is the physical property of Pediatric Psychology Associates, the information belongs to you. You have the right to:

- Obtain a paper copy of this Notice of Health Information Practices upon request,
- Inspect and copy your health record, as provided for in 45 CFR 164.524,
- Amend your health record, as provided for in CFR 164.528,
- Obtain an accounting of disclosures of your health information, as provided in 45 CFR 164.528,
- Request communications of your health information by alternative means or at alternative locations,
- Request a restriction on certain uses and disclosures of your information, as provided by 45 CFR 164.522, and
- Revoke your authorization to use or disclose health information, except to the extent that action has already been taken.

Our Responsibilities

Pediatric Psychology Associates is required to:

- Maintain the privacy of your health information,
- Provide you with a copy of this Notice as to your legal duties and privacy practices with respect to information we collect and maintain about you,
- Abide by the terms of this Notice,
- Notify you if we are unable to agree to a requested restriction, and
- Accommodate reasonable requests you may have to communicate health information by alternative means or at alternative locations.

We reserve the right to change our practices and to make new provisions effective for all protected health information we maintain. Should our information practices change, we will mail a revised notice, provided those changes affect your health information, to you at the address you have supplied us, or if you agree, we will e-mail the revised notice to you.

We will not use or disclose your health information without your authorization, except as described in this Notice. We will also discontinue using or disclosing your health information after we have received a written revocation of the authorization, according to the procedures included in the Authorization.

For More Information or to Report a Problem

If you have questions or would like additional information, you may contact Pediatric Psychology Associates at (305) 936-1002. If you believe your privacy rights have been violated, complaints should also be directed to Pediatric Psychology Associates. If you are not satisfied with the manner in which this office handles a complaint, you may submit a formal complaint to: Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201. There will be no retaliation for filing a complaint with either, Pediatric Psychology Associates or the Office of Civil Rights.



Acknowledgment of Receipt of HIPAA Privacy Notice and New Patient Consent to the Use and Disclosure of Health Information for Treatment, Payment, or Healthcare Operations

I, _____ (print name of adult patient, parent or guardian of minor), understand that as a part of my or my family’s health care, Pediatric Psychology Associates originates and maintains paper and/or electronic records describing my health history, symptoms, examination and test results, diagnoses, treatment, and any plans for future care or treatment. I understand that this information serves as:

- A basis for planning my care and treatment,
- A means of communication among the many health professions who contribute to my care,
- A source of information for applying my diagnosis and treatment information to my bill,
- A means by which a third-party payer (i.e., insurance) can verify that services billed were actually provided, and
- A tool for assessing quality and reviewing the competence of healthcare professionals.

I have been presented with a copy of Pediatric Psychology Associates’ Notice of Privacy Policies detailing how my information may be used and disclosed under Federal and State law. I understand the contents of the Notice. Further, I permit a copy of this Acknowledgment to be used in place of the original and request payment of medical insurance benefits either to myself or to the party who accepts assignments. Regulations pertaining to medical assignment of benefits apply. I understand and have been provided with a Notice of Health Information Practices that provides a more complete description of information uses and disclosures. I understand that I have the following rights and privileges:

- The right to review the Notice prior to signing this Consent,
- The right to object to the use of my health information for directory purposes, and
- The right to request restrictions as to how my health information may be used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations.

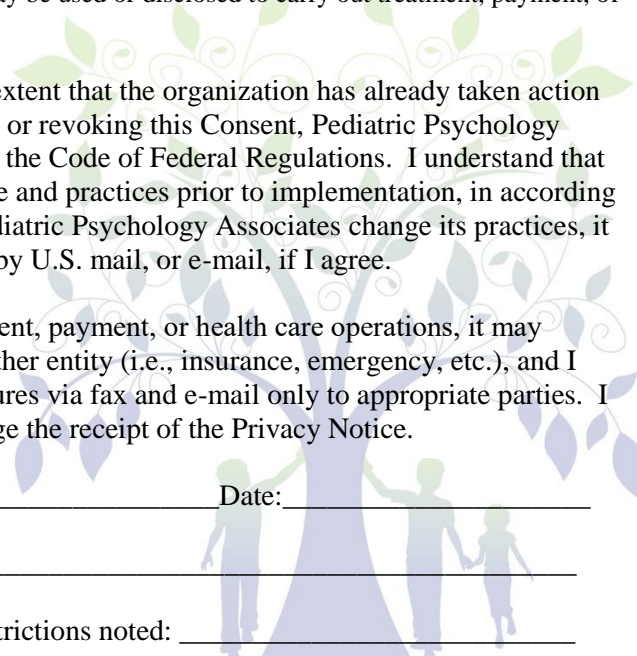
I understand that I may revoke this Consent in writing, except to the extent that the organization has already taken action in reliance thereon. I understand that by refusing to sign this Consent or revoking this Consent, Pediatric Psychology Associates may refuse to treat me, as permitted by section 164.506 of the Code of Federal Regulations. I understand that Pediatric Psychology Associates reserves the right to change its notice and practices prior to implementation, in according with section 164.520 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Should Pediatric Psychology Associates change its practices, it will send a copy of any revised notice to the address I have provided by U.S. mail, or e-mail, if I agree.

I understand that as a part of Pediatric Psychology Associates’ treatment, payment, or health care operations, it may become necessary to disclose my protected health information to another entity (i.e., insurance, emergency, etc.), and I consent to such disclosure for these permitted uses, including disclosures via fax and e-mail only to appropriate parties. I fully understand and accept the terms of this Consent and acknowledge the receipt of the Privacy Notice.

Name of Patient (Printed): _____ Date: _____

Patient, Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

If refused, reason for refusal: _____ Restrictions noted: _____





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Information Regarding Submission of Insurance Claims

(Only complete form if you plan to have PPA file to your insurance company-please read carefully)

Patient's Name: _____

Initial Each Below:

_____ I understand that Pediatric Psychology Associates is offering as a courtesy to submit claims for services to my insurance company. I understand that I am responsible to pay for all services at the time the service is rendered. I understand that assignment of benefits will be made to the policy holder and that Pediatric Psychology Associates does not accept payment directly from insurance companies. The policy holder/responsible party is responsible for obtaining any authorizations/certifications required prior to services, as well as for follow up on any outstanding claims, including resubmissions.

_____ I understand that Pediatric Psychology Associates does not submit claims for testing or group therapy services. We will provide a detailed invoice once the testing or group services are completed and payment has been received. Due to the multi-disciplinary methodology utilized in the group sessions, it may not be a covered service. It is advisable for you to contact your insurance company directly to obtain a detailed explanation of your benefits and procedures for submitting claims related to group therapy or evaluations, including any authorizations required prior to testing.

_____ I understand that Pediatric Psychology Associates does not maintain a contracted relationship with any insurance company. Any disputes regarding processing of claims for services are the responsibility of the policy holder.

_____ Kindly accept a photocopy of this authorization as if it were an original executed authorization. I authorize the release of any payment and medical information necessary to process my or my family member's insurance claim and related claims.

_____ Insurance policies often change coverage especially during the yearly renewal. I am responsible for informing Pediatric Psychology Associates of any changes to my policy or if I have a new insurance carrier or no insurance at all. There have been times when failure to inform our office has resulted in lack of payment from the insurance company.

I fully understand and agree to the above policies and conditions. This supplements previous agreements I may have signed. A copy of this agreement is available upon request.

Patient/Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Printed Name: _____

Date _____