

# INFORMATIONAL GUIDE for Completing the Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information Form

## Patient Information:

- Full Name at Time of Visit
- Birth Date
- Last 4 digits of Social Security Number
- Email Address
- Mailing Address

## Recipient Information:

For Physician Office/Medical Facility:

- Facility Name
- Address
- Phone and Fax Number
- Email Address

For Personal Use:

- Recipient Name
- Address
- Phone Number

## 1. Service Type and Date

### Range:

Select type(s) of records to be released **and** dates of service\*.

### Types of Services

**Inpatient:** Admitted for treatment or surgery with overnight stay in hospital. e.g. Intensive Care, Cardiology, Labor & Delivery.

**Same Day Surgery:** Treated and discharged same day. e.g. Orthopaedic procedures, hernia repairs.

**Emergency Dept:** Treatment in Emergency Department.

**Outpatient Testing:** Not admitted to hospital. e.g. Lab tests, X-rays, EKGs.

**Office:** Physician office or clinic.

\*If patient dates of service are unknown, approximate by month and/or year.

**UPMC** LIFE CHANGING MEDICINE For UPMC / Highmark Transition of Care Only  
**Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information**

I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Physician Office or Clinic \_\_\_\_\_ and/or the following UPMC hospital(s):  
 East  Magee-Womens  McKeesport  Mercy  Passavant (Cranberry)  Passavant (McCandless)  
 Presbyterian/Montefiore  Shadyside  St. Margaret  South Side  
 to release information from the record of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Patient Name Birth Date Last 4 digits of SSN Patient's Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address City State Zip Code

as described below to:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Facility/Person to Receive Records Phone Fax Facility's Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address City State Zip Code

Send records via secured email to:  Self and Physician  Physician only  Self only

Records are requested for the purpose of:  Transfer of Care

Parts 1 and 2 must be completed to properly identify the records to be released.

1. Type of records to be released and date(s) of service (check all that apply):  
 Inpatient - Dates: \_\_\_\_\_  Emergency Dept - Dates: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Same Day Services - Dates: \_\_\_\_\_  Outpatient Testing - Dates: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office - Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Specific information to be released (check all that apply):  
 Consultation Reports  History & Physical Exam  Physician Orders  
 Discharge Summary  Medication Administration Records  Physician Progress Notes  
 Laboratory Reports/Tests  Operative Report  Psychiatric/Psychological Evaluation  
 Nurses Notes  Pathology Report  Radiology Report  
 Emergency Department Report  EKG Report(s)  Rehabilitation Records  
 Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

HIV and Mental Health information contained in the parts of the records indicated above will be released through this authorization unless otherwise indicated. Do not release:  Drug/Alcohol  HIV  Mental Health (Psychiatric)

I understand that this Authorization is effective for a period of 90 days from the date of signature, unless otherwise specified below. No time frame may exceed one year from the date of signature. I understand that I have the right to revoke this authorization at any time by sending a written request to the entity/person I authorized above to release the information. See side two of this form for additional patient rights and responsibilities.

If applicable, specify other expiration date/event here: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Signature Signature of Patient (14 years of age or older may authorize release of inpatient mental health information or 18 years of age or older for outpatient mental health information. A minor may authorize release of Drug & Alcohol treatment information.) Date of Signature Signature of Authorized Representative  
\*Appropriate paperwork required  
 Parent or Legal Guardian  Power of Attorney

ORAL AUTHORIZATION (for persons physically unable to sign)  
 NOT Applicable to HIV related information or Drug & Alcohol Treatment Information  
 I witness that the patient understood the nature of this release and freely gave their oral authorization. (Two witnesses are required)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Witness #1 Date Witness #2

A photostatic copy of this authorization shall be considered as valid and effective as the original.  
 Please note that emails will be sent via a secure and encrypted electronic system.

## Authorize Office or Hospital(s):

Name the office or select UPMC hospital(s) where patient was seen.

## Send Records via Secured Email:

Select the intended recipient of the records, which will be sent secured to the email address provided above.

## Purpose for Release:

Please note that this release is to be used only for transfer of care.

## 2. Documents to Be Released:

Check specific report(s)/ records to be released that correspond with dates of service.

## Date, Signature and Additional Documentation:

The patient or patient representative must sign **and** date the authorization.

If signed by a patient representative, a description of the authority to act for the individual is required. The authorized representative should choose one of the boxes above and provide appropriate documentation.

## For Assistance with Completing the Form:

Please contact UPMC's release of information team at 412-864-0854

## To Check on the Status of Your Request:

Please contact HealthPort's Customer Service Department at 866-425-0174