

AUTHORIZATION FOR DISCLOSURE OF MEDICAL OR DENTAL INFORMATION

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-579), the notice informs you of the purpose of the form and how it will be used. Please read it carefully.

AUTHORITY: Public Law 104-191; E.O. 9397 (SSAN); DoD 6025.18-R.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S): This form is to provide the Military Treatment Facility/Dental Treatment Facility/TRICARE Health Plan with a means to request the use and/or disclosure of an individual's protected health information.

ROUTINE USE(S): To any third party or the individual upon authorization for the disclosure from the individual for: personal use; insurance; continued medical care; school; legal; retirement/separation; or other reasons.

DISCLOSURE: Voluntary. Failure to sign the authorization form will result in the non-release of the protected health information.

This form will not be used for the authorization to disclose alcohol or drug abuse patient information from medical records or for authorization to disclose information from records of an alcohol or drug abuse treatment program. In addition, any use as an authorization to use or disclose psychotherapy notes may not be combined with another authorization except one to use or disclose psychotherapy notes.

SECTION I - PATIENT DATA

1. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	2. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD)	3. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
4. PERIOD OF TREATMENT: FROM - TO (YYYYMMDD)	5. TYPE OF TREATMENT (X one) <input type="checkbox"/> OUTPATIENT <input type="checkbox"/> INPATIENT <input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	

SECTION II - DISCLOSURE

6. I AUTHORIZE _____ <i>(Name of Facility/TRICARE Health Plan)</i>	TO RELEASE MY PATIENT INFORMATION TO:
a. NAME OF PERSON OR ORGANIZATION TO RECEIVE MY MEDICAL INFORMATION	b. ADDRESS (Street, City, State and ZIP Code)
c. TELEPHONE (Include Area Code)	d. FAX (Include Area Code)
7. REASON FOR REQUEST/USE OF MEDICAL INFORMATION (X as applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> PERSONAL USE <input type="checkbox"/> CONTINUED MEDICAL CARE <input type="checkbox"/> SCHOOL <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> INSURANCE <input type="checkbox"/> RETIREMENT/SEPARATION <input type="checkbox"/> LEGAL	
8. INFORMATION TO BE RELEASED	
9. AUTHORIZATION START DATE (YYYYMMDD)	10. AUTHORIZATION EXPIRATION <input type="checkbox"/> DATE (YYYYMMDD) <input type="checkbox"/> ACTION COMPLETED

SECTION III - RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

I understand that:

- I have the right to revoke this authorization at any time. My revocation must be in writing and provided to the facility where my medical records are kept or to the TMA Privacy Officer if this is an authorization for information possessed by the TRICARE Health Plan rather than an MTF or DTF. I am aware that if I later revoke this authorization, the person(s) I herein name will have used and/or disclosed my protected information on the basis of this authorization.
- If I authorize my protected health information to be disclosed to someone who is not required to comply with federal privacy protection regulations, then such information may be re-disclosed and would no longer be protected.
- I have a right to inspect and receive a copy of my own protected health information to be used or disclosed, in accordance with the requirements of the federal privacy protection regulations found in the Privacy Act and 45 CFR §164.524.
- The Military Health System (which includes the TRICARE Health Plan) may not condition treatment in MTFs/DTFs, payment by the TRICARE Health Plan, enrollment in the TRICARE Health Plan or eligibility for TRICARE Health Plan benefits on failure to obtain this authorization.

I request and authorize the named provider/treatment facility/TRICARE Health Plan to release the information described above to the named individual/organization indicated.

11. SIGNATURE OF PATIENT/PARENT/LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE	12. RELATIONSHIP TO PATIENT <i>(If applicable)</i>	13. DATE (YYYYMMDD)
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SECTION IV - FOR STAFF USE ONLY (To be completed only upon receipt of written revocation)

14. X IF APPLICABLE: <input type="checkbox"/> AUTHORIZATION REVOKED	15. REVOCATION COMPLETED BY	16. DATE (YYYYMMDD)
17. IMPRINT OF PATIENT IDENTIFICATION PLATE WHEN AVAILABLE	SPONSOR NAME: SPONSOR RANK: FMP/SPONSOR SSN: BRANCH OF SERVICE: PHONE NUMBER:	

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Authorization for Disclosure of Medical or Dental Information (DD Form 2870)

This form is used to allow an applicant to authorize the US Army Public Health Center to release protected information to a person or entity of the beneficiary's choosing.

*This authorization will not apply to sensitive Protected Health Information (PHI), unless specifically authorized in Section 8 of Part I. Psychotherapy notes will not be included.

Section I: Patient Data

- Items 1 through 3: Complete the *beneficiary/patient's* information
- Item 4. If the exact dates of testing are unknown, provide a range of approximate years
- Item 5. Select "Both."

Section II: Disclosure

This section identifies who may release information about the patient to an identified third party or authorized representative.

- **Item 6:** Please enter "US Army Public Health Center".
- **Items 6a-6d:** Please insert your name and contact information.
- **Item 7:** Select a box for Reason For Request.
- **Item 8:** You may clarify information related to the date range and/or type of treatment/exposure that you wish to be disclosed.
- **Item 9:** The authorization will be effective the date the form is signed.
- **Item 10:** The Authorization to Disclose is valid for one year (12 months) from the date you sign if you do not enter a date in the space provided. The limit is 3 years.

Section III: Release Authorization

- Sign and Date the authorization and indicate relationship to patient.
- If a patient's representative signs the authorization, please attach documentation of the representative's authority (for example: Custody, Guardianship, Power of attorney, etc).

Section IV: APHC Staff Use Only – leave blank

MAIL your completed form to:

US Army Public Health Center
ATTN: Benefits Application Panel
Building 5158
8252 Blackhawk Road
Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland 21010-5403

IMPORTANT:

This form grants permission for information disclosed by telephone or correspondence regarding the US Army Chemical or Biological Research Program only.



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