

AUTHORIZATION TO USE/DISCLOSE PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

AUTHORIZATION I authorize: **Andrew P. Higgins, MD LLC**
(NAME OF INDIVIDUAL /ENTITY DISCLOSING INFORMATION)

to use and disclose a copy of the specific health information described below regarding:

(NAME OF INDIVIDUAL)

consisting of: _____

(SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBE INFORMATION TO BE USED/DISCLOSED)

to: _____
(NAME AND ADDRESS OF RECIPIENT OR RECIPIENTS)

for the purpose of: _____

(SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBE EACH PURPOSE FOR DISCLOSURE)

If the information to be disclosed contains any of the types of records or information listed below, additional laws relating to the use and disclosure of the information may apply. I understand and agree that this information will be disclosed if I place my initials in the applicable space next to the type of information.

- HIV/AIDS information
- Mental health information
- Genetic testing information
- Alcohol/chemical dependency diagnosis, treatment, or referral information
- Sexually transmitted disease information

I understand that the information used or disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be subject to redisclosure and no longer be protected under federal law. However, I also understand that federal restricts redisclosure of alcohol and chemical dependency diagnosis, treatment or referral information and specifically requires my authorization prior to redisclosure.

PATIENT INFORMATION You do not need to sign this authorization. Refusal to sign the authorization will not adversely affect your ability to receive health care services or reimbursement for services. The only circumstance when refusal to sign means you will not receive health care services is if the health care services represent research related treatment and the authorization is necessary to participate in the research study and receive research related treatment.

You may revoke this authorization in writing at any time. If you revoke your authorization, the information described above may no longer be used or disclosed for the purposes described in this written authorization. Any use or disclosure already made with your permission cannot be undone. To revoke this authorization, please send a written statement to _____ (contact person) at _____ (address of person/entity disclosing information) and state you are revoking this authorization.

SIGNATURE I have read this authorization and I understand it.

Unless revoked, this authorization expires: _____
(INSERT EITHER APPLICABLE DATE OR EVENT)

By: _____ Date: _____
(INDIVIDUAL OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE)

Description of personal representative's authority:
