

Consent to Release Protected Health Information (PHI)

This paper should be used to give your OK to _____, (“Magellan”) so that we can share your *Protected Health Information (PHI)* with some other person or organization. PHI means information about your health. There are laws that protect the privacy of your PHI. These laws say that we cannot give your PHI to anyone else except your current doctor and _____ (Magellan manages your mental health and substance use disorder care for them) unless you say it is OK. ***By filling out and signing this paper, you say that it is OK for Magellan to give out the PHI that you tell us we can share.*** Do you have questions? We can help. Call us at _____.

- **You must complete ALL sections of this paper**
- If any sections are left blank, this paper will not be accepted, and your PHI will not be shared.

1	REQUIRED	MEMBER INFORMATION				
		Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Date of Birth	
		Health Plan Name			Member # from Your Health Plan ID Card	
		Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number
		Please check ONE of the following: <input type="checkbox"/> I am the member (sign below in Section 7) <input type="checkbox"/> I have the legal right to act for this person because I am their: (please check one) <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;">parent OR guardian OR other</div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;">(sign below in Section 8)</div>				

2	REQUIRED	WHO YOUR PHI MAY BE GIVEN TO				
		Note for substance use disorder facts: If you want to make this an OK you give one time for all future uses and disclosures for treatment, payment, and health care operations, you can say “my treating providers, health plans, third-party payers, and people helping to manage my care or benefits” or something close to that.) Please check here if you wish to make this an OK for all future uses and disclosures for treatment, payment and health care operations for substance use disorder information only. After checking here, please tell us below who you want to receive the substance use disorder PHI.				
		Name (this can be a person OR a specific group of persons like “detox hospitals in Ohio.”)				
		Organization or Entity (if not a person)				
		Street Address		City	State	Zip Code

3	REQUIRED	REASON YOU WANT US TO SHARE YOUR PHI	
		Note for substance use disorder information: saying “ <i>For treatment, payment, and health care operations</i> ” is fine when you are giving us an OK one time for all such future uses or disclosures of that kind.	
		Tell us why you want us to share your PHI. We need to know the reason. Examples might be “for people to work together on my care” or “for help with my appeal” or “for my court case” or “for sharing my claims history.”	

4	REQUIRED	SHARE THIS PHI ABOUT ME (check one or more)	
		We will only share the PHI that you OK. This OK includes facts that we have about care you receive(d) for your mental health and/or substance use disorder, including medicines. It does not cover psychotherapy notes that are not in your medical records. Please check the box(es) to let us know the exact mental health and/or substance use disorder information from your records that we can share.	
			Claims Information Includes information related to Magellan’s payment of claims for services received, including information located on a claim form (i.e., billed amount, general procedure descriptions, denial reasons, etc.)
			Benefit Determination Information Includes information related to pre-service, concurrent, and post-service benefit decisions made by Magellan
			Entire Member Record This will be all of the facts Magellan has about you in our system
			Other, please tell us in a very specific way Examples might be: details about your appeal, or facts about your past services history, or PHI about your current care.

5	REQUIRED	WHEN WILL YOUR OK END?	
		Your OK will end when you tell us it does. We need you to tell us a date or event when your OK ends. Please check one:	
			My OK ends one year from the date when I sign below
			My OK ends on this date: Note: It cannot be more than one year from the date you sign below.
			My OK ends when this happens: (It can be something like “when my appeal is done” but it must happen within 1 year)
If an option is not selected or the end of your OK that is listed in this Section is longer than one year, your OK will end one year from the date this form is signed.			

6	YOUR RIGHTS & IMPORTANT FACTS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giving your OK is up to you. You do not have to share your information. • You do not have to OK this paper. You will still get benefits and treatment. • You can take back your OK. You must tell us in writing. Mail it to the address listed in Section 9 below. This will not take back the PHI that we have already shared. But, we will not share any more of your PHI. • If we share your PHI with the people or organization(s) that you named, they may share it with others. Not everyone has to follow privacy rules. • You should keep a copy of this signed OK. If you need another copy, please call Magellan at the phone number listed in Section 9 below and we will send you a copy. • If you do not understand anything on this form or if you have questions, we can help. Please call the phone number listed in Section 9 below. • For substance use disorder facts: If the person or group listed in section 2 above is a covered entity or business associate and gets your information for treatment, payment, or health care operations reasons, your information may be shared again by them as long as they follow the permissions in the HIPAA regulations, except for uses and disclosures for civil, criminal, administrative, and legislative proceedings against you. 		

7	REQUIRED	MEMBER SIGNATURE	
		I give my OK to share the information listed to the person or organization listed in this paper. If you do not sign, we cannot accept this paper. In some states, children who are old enough are the ones who need to sign so that we can share their mental health and substance use disorder PHI.	
		Signature or Mark (*REQUIRED*)	
		Date (*REQUIRED*)	

8	AUTHORIZED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE	
	Authorized Personal Representative means you have legal proof that you can act for this person. If the authorized personal representative does not sign, we cannot accept this paper.	
	Signature (*REQUIRED*)	
	Print Name (*REQUIRED*)	
	Date (*REQUIRED*)	
	Please tell us your legal proof to act for this person. We may ask you to send us proof. (*REQUIRED*)	

9	WHERE TO SEND THIS PAPER & ASK QUESTIONS	
After you fill in and sign this paper, send it to us one of the ways listed below. If you have any questions about how to complete this form, you can use any of these ways to contact us. Remember, PHI means information about your health in the past, present or future. It includes facts like your address and date of birth, too. A full definition of PHI is at 45 CFR 160.103		
Mailing Address (Preferred)		Phone Number
		Fax Number (Preferred)
Email Address (Not preferred; email may not be a secure method)		

NOTICE TO RECIPIENT OF INFORMATION

This record which has been disclosed to you is protected by Federal confidentiality rules (42 CFR part 2). These rules prohibit you from using or disclosing this record, or testimony that describes the information contained in this record, in any civil, criminal, administrative or legislative proceedings by any Federal, State, or local authority, against the patient, unless authorized by the consent of the patient except as provided at 42 CFR 2.12(c)(5) or as authorized by a court in accordance with 42 CFR 2.64 or 2.65. In addition, the Federal rules prohibit you from making any other use or disclosure of this record unless at least one of the following applies:

- (i) Further use or disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent of the individual whose information is being disclosed in this record or as otherwise permitted by 42 CFR part 2.
- (ii) You are a covered entity or business associate and have received the record for treatment, payment, or health care operations, or
- (iii) You have received the record from a covered entity or business associate as permitted by 45 CFR part 164, subparts A & E.

INSTRUCTIONS

**PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL SECTIONS OF THE FORM ARE COMPLETED OR
THE FORM WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU AS WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COMPLETE THE REQUEST**

Section 1. PATIENT INFORMATION

This is information about the patient whose Protected Health Information (PHI) will be used or disclosed. Please print the:

- patient's name;
- address; and,
- date of birth

Please also include the patient's health plan name and patient/member identification number from their ID card.

In the field below the Patient Information section "*I authorize the use or disclosure of PHI about the individual named above,*" please mark one (1) option to either-

- identify the person completing the form is the individual (patient) listed in Section 1 **OR**
- a personal representative (*if needed, see Section 8 for the definition of personal representative*) of the patient listed in Section 1.

Section 2. WHO THE PHI MAY BE RELEASED TO

This section identifies the person or organization that will be receiving or obtaining the PHI of the individual listed in Section 1- Please add the name OR organization that you wish to receive your PHI.

- This information will assist in limiting the disclosure of PHI to only the person OR organization indicated.

This section allows, if you check the box, a single written consent for all future disclosures for treatment, payment and health care operations for substance use disorder information only.

- If you choose to mark this box, please describe the recipient of the PHI like "my treating providers, health plans, third-party payers, and people helping to manage my care or benefits" or a similar statement.

Section 3. PURPOSE OF THE RELEASE OF PHI

This section tells us why you want to share your information. Please provide the reason the PHI is being disclosed. If the disclosure of this information is initiated by you, the patient, you may indicate "At the request of the individual." if you do not wish to provide a specific reason. If no reason for sharing the PHI is provided, the form will be returned as being deficient.

Section 4. RELEASE THIS PHI ABOUT ME (check one or more)

This section tells us the type of information (PHI) to disclose. Please specify the kind of information you are requesting to be disclosed:

- Select from the four (4) options listed.
- If you select "*Other,*" please ensure you provide an explanation of the PHI you wish to be released. If no explanation is provided, we will not know what to share and the form will be returned as being deficient.

Section 5. EXPIRATION

This section tells us when to stop disclosing your requested PHI. **Please choose only one (1) option to let us know when you want your authorization to end.**

- If choosing an *expiration date*- it must be a valid date (month, date, and year) and must not be more than one year from the date the form was completed.
- If choosing an *expiration event*- it should relate to the purpose of the disclosure, and it must occur within 1 year from the date the authorization form is signed.
 - By choosing an expiration date OR event, this limits the span of time during which your PHI can be disclosed.
- If none of the three options is selected, the authorization will expire one year from the date signed in Sections 7 or 8, as applicable.

Section 6. YOUR RIGHTS & IMPORTANT FACTS

This section provides your rights. Please read this section in its entirety as it explains your rights and other important facts.

Section 7. PATIENT SIGNATURE

This is where you sign your name and provide the date you signed the form.

- Your PHI cannot be released if you do not **sign AND date** the form.
- Please note, there are many states where minors, who have reached a certain age can control access to information about their mental health and/or substance use disorder services. In these cases, the minor themselves would need to sign the authorization form.

Section 8. AUTHORIZED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

This section tells us the person who can act on your behalf. If applicable, please have the personal representative sign in this section.

- The authorized personal representative has the legal authority to act on the patient's behalf.
- **Please provide documentation to prove the legal authority.**
 - Example: ■ Health Care Power of Attorney ■ Guardianship

Section 9. WHERE TO SEND THIS FORM or ASK QUESTIONS

This section provides contact information for where to submit the form OR in case you have questions.