PROGRESSIVE CHIROPRACTIC

PRIVATE HEALTH INFORMATION (PHI)

We may use and disclose your PHI (private health information) in response to a court or administrative order, if you are involved in a lawsuit or similar proceeding. We may also disclose your PHI in response to a discovery request, subpoena, or other lawful process by another party involved in the dispute. We may use or disclose your PHI for workers compensation and similar programs. In direct reference to § 164.506 Uses and disclosures to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations, the following will apply:

(a) *Standard: Permitted uses and disclosures.* Except with respect to uses or disclosures that require an authorization under § 164.508(a)(2) and (3), a covered entity may use or disclose protected health information for treatment, payment, or health care operations as set forth in paragraph (c) of this section, provided that such use or disclosure is consistent with other applicable requirements of this subpart.

(b*) Standard: Consent for uses and disclosures permitted*. (1) A covered entity may obtain consent of the individual to use or disclose protected health information to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations.(2) Consent, under paragraph (b) of this section, shall not be effective to permit a use or disclosure of protected health information when an authorization, under § 164.508, is required or when another condition must be met for such use or disclosure to be permissible under this subpart.

(c) *Implementation specifications*: Treatment, payment, or health care operations.(1) A covered entity may use or disclose protected health information for its own treatment, payment, or health care operations.(2) A covered entity may disclose protected health information for treatment activities of a health care provider.(3) A covered entity may disclose protected health information to another covered entity or a health care provider for the payment activities of the entity that receives the information.(4) A covered entity may disclose protected health information to another covered entity for health care operations activities of the entity that receives the information, if each entity either has or had a relationship with the individual who is the subject of the protected health information being requested, the protected health information pertains to such relationship, and the disclosure is:(i) For a purpose listed in paragraph (1) or (2) of the definition of health care operations; or(ii) For the purpose of health care fraud and abuse detection or compliance.(5) A covered entity that participates in an organized health care arrangement may disclose protected health information about an individual to another covered entity that participates in the organized health care arrangement for any health care operations activities of the organized health care arrangement.

We may use a sign-in sheet at the front desk and we may call you in to see the doctor by name.

We may contact you by mail or phone, at your residence, to remind you of appointments or to provide information about treatment alternatives. Unless you instruct us otherwise, we may mail you a postcard reminding you to make an appointment and we may leave a message for you on any answering device or with any person who answers the phone at your residence.

You can make a reasonable request for us to use alternative methods of communicating with you in a confidential manner. These requests must be submitted in writing in a clear and concise fashion. We are not required to agree with your request. However, if we do agree, we are bound by our agreement except when otherwise required by law, in emergencies or when information is necessary to treat you.

Rights that you have:

You have the right to request restrictions on some of the uses or disclosures described above. Except as stated, we are not required to agree to such restrictions.

You have the right to inspect and obtain copies of your medical information. (A fee for the costs of copying, mailing, labor and supplies associated with your request will be charged.)

You have the right to request amendments to your medical information. Such requests must be in writing, and must state the reason for the requested amendment. We will notify you as to whether we agree or disagree with the requested amendment. If we disagree with any requested amendment, we will further notify you of your rights.

You have the right to request an accounting of any disclosure we make of your medical information except for disclosures we make to you, to carry out treatment, payment or healthcare operations, as requested by your written authorization, as permitted or required under 45 CFR 164.502, for emergency or notification purposes, for national security or intelligence purposes as permitted by law, or to correctional facilities or law enforcement officials as permitted by law.

You have the right to receive a paper copy of this notice. To obtain a paper copy of this notice, please contact our office manager.

You have the right to file a complaint if you believe your privacy rights have been violated. You may file a complaint with our practice or with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. All complaints must be submitted in writing and addressed to this office at the above address. You will not be penalized for filing a complaint.

This privacy policy is subject to change as circumstances dictate. Any changes will be effective upon the release of a revised policy as stated in this notice.

Signature of Patient or Legal Guardian: ______________________________ Date: ______________

Print Name of Patient or Legal Guardian: ______________________________ Date: ______________

Patient Agreement for PIP Only:

ASSIGNMENT AND RELEASE

I, the undersigned, have AUTO insurance coverage with ______________________________
Name of Insurance Company
and assign directly to Dr. ______________ all medical benefits, if any, otherwise payable to me for services rendered. I understand that I am financially responsible for all charges whether or not paid by insurance. I hereby authorize the doctor to release all information necessary to secure the payment of benefits. I authorize the use of this signature on all my insurance submissions.

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Signature of Insured/Guardian Date