
New Patient Consent to the Use and Disclosure of Health Information for Treatment, Payment and Healthcare Operations

I, _____, understand that as part of my healthcare, Wilmington Internal Medicine, P.A. originates and maintains paper and/or electronic records describing my health history, symptoms, examination and test results, diagnosis, treatment and any plans for future care or treatment. I understand that this information serves as

- A basis for planning my care and treatment,
- A means for communication among the many health professionals who contribute to my care,
- A source of information for applying my diagnosis and surgical information to my bill,
- A means by which a third-party payer can verify that services billed were actually provided, and
- A tool for routine healthcare operations such as assessing quality and reviewing the competence of healthcare professionals.

I understand and have been provided with a *Notice of Information Practices* that provides a more complete description of information uses and disclosures. I understand that I have the following rights and privileges:

- The right to review the notice prior to signing this consent,
- The right to object to the use of my health information for directory purposes, and
- The right to request restrictions as to how my health information may be used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment, or healthcare operations.

I understand that Wilmington Internal Medicine, P.A. is not required to agree to the restrictions requested. I understand that I may revoke this consent in writing, except to the extent that the organization has already taken action in reliance thereon. I also understand that by refusing to sign this consent, this organization may refuse to treat me as permitted by Section 164.506 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

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I further understand that Wilmington Internal Medicine, P.A. reserves the right to change their notice and practices and prior to implementation, in accordance with Section 164.520 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Should Wilmington Internal Medicine, P.A. change their notice, they will send a copy of any revised notice to the address I have provided (whether US mail or, if I agree, email).

I give my permission for the following person(s) to have access to my medical records:

I give my permission for messages to be left at the following numbers regarding appointment dates and times, test results and healthcare concerns: _____

I understand that as part of this organization's treatment, payment, or healthcare operations, it may become necessary to disclose my protected health information to another entity, and I consent to such disclosure for these permitted uses, including disclosures via fax.

I fully understand and accept/decline the terms of this consent.

Patient's Signature

Date