

Yarmouth Spinal Care

Cancellation & Missed Appointment Policy

The treatment that is planned for you is specific to you. It is important of you to keep the scheduled dates and times to properly complete your treatment. A broken appointment is a loss to three people the patient who missed the valuable time, the patient who could have taken the valuable time, and the doctor who was fully staffed and prepared for the appointment.

Therefore, we ask for at least 24 hour advance notice for canceling or rescheduling an appointment, otherwise a \$60 fee will be assessed to your account. If you are 20 minutes late to your scheduled appointment your account will also be charged a \$60 fee. Late is still considered a missed appointment.

***All broken and canceled appointment fees must be paid prior to scheduling another appointment.**

I have read and fully understand the information provided

Patient print name: _____

Patient signature: _____ Date _____

Thank you for **NOT** using perfume, cologne or scented products!

Please refrain from using these before your appointment



Many of our practice members have severe allergic reactions to scented products.

Thank you for your consideration

CHIROPRACTIC INTAKE & HISTORY

PATIENT INFORMATION

Patient Name _____
LAST NAME

FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL

Address _____
 City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone _____
 Cell Phone _____
 Email _____

Sex M F Age _____ Birthday _____

Married Widowed Single Minor

Separated Divorced Partnered

Employer / School _____

Occupation _____

Spouse's Name _____

Spouse's Employer _____

Spouse's Occupation _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, CONTACT

Name _____

Relationship _____

Contact Number _____

Who may we thank for referring you? _____

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

What brings you in today? _____

If you are already experiencing a symptom, what is it? _____

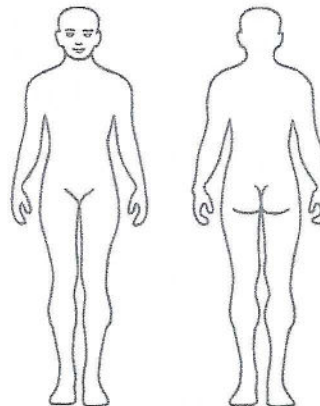
How bad is it? How intense are your symptoms? (circle)

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
NO SYMPTOMS INTENSE SYMPTOMS

Please circle areas to the right where you have pain or other symptoms:

What does it feel like? (check where appropriate)

- | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Numbness | <input type="checkbox"/> Sharp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tingling | <input type="checkbox"/> Shooting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stiffness | <input type="checkbox"/> Burning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dull | <input type="checkbox"/> Throbbing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aching | <input type="checkbox"/> Stabbing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cramping | <input type="checkbox"/> Swelling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nagging | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |



IMPACT OF YOUR SYMPTOMS

How is this symptom / condition interfering with your life? (check where appropriate)

	No Effect	Mild Effect	Moderate Effect	Severe Effect		No Effect	Mild Effect	Moderate Effect	Severe Effect
Work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Energy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exercise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Attitude	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Patience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Relationships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Productivity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sleep	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Creativity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-Care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

How committed are you to correcting this issue?

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
NOT COMMITTED VERY COMMITTED

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PATIENT WELLNESS ASSESSMENT

ILLNESS-WELLNESS CONTINUUM



On the arrow diagram above:

A. What number do you think represents your health today? _____

B. In what direction is your health currently headed? _____

What are your health goals?

IMMEDIATE _____

SHORT TERM _____

LONG TERM _____

CHILDREN & PREGNANCY

How many children do you have? _____

Childrens' ages? _____

Childrens' health concerns? _____

Are you currently pregnant? No Yes, I am due _____

Number of past pregnancies? _____

Health concerns regarding this pregnancy? _____

HEALTH & ILLNESS HISTORY

Please check the box beside any condition that you have or have had.

- | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> AIDS/HIV | <input type="checkbox"/> Circulation Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Headaches / Migraines | <input type="checkbox"/> Ringing in Ears |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcoholism | <input type="checkbox"/> Childhood Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Scoliosis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anxiety | <input type="checkbox"/> Depression | <input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis | <input type="checkbox"/> Shoulder Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arteriosclerosis | <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes | <input type="checkbox"/> Hip Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis | <input type="checkbox"/> Digestive Issues
(Constipation/Diarhea/GERD/IBS) | <input type="checkbox"/> Immune Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> TMJ Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma/Allergies | <input type="checkbox"/> Elbow/Wrist/Hand Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Lymphatic Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Urinary Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Back Pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Endocrine Issues (Thyroid) | <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Sclerosis | <input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cardiovascular Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Foot/Ankle Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Neck Pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer | <input type="checkbox"/> Gout | <input type="checkbox"/> Reproductive Issues | _____ |

ALLERGIES, MEDICATIONS & SUPPLEMENTS

ALLERGIES (list)

MEDICATIONS (list)

SUPPLEMENTS (list)

Signature: _____ Date: _____



TERMS OF ACCEPTANCE

When a patient seeks chiropractic health care and we accept a patient for such care, it is essential for both to be working towards the same objective.

Chiropractic has only one goal. It is important that each patient understand both the objective and the method that will be able to attain it. This will prevent any confusion or disappointment.

Adjustment: An adjustment is the specific application of forces to facilitate the body's correction of vertebral subluxation. Our chiropractic method of correction is by specific adjustments of the spine.

Health: The state of optimal physical, mental, and social well-being, not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.

Vertebral Subluxation: A misalignment of one or more of the 24 vertebra in the spinal column which causes alteration of nerve function and interference to the transmission of mental impulses, resulting in a lessening of the body's innate ability to express its maximum health potential.

We do not offer to diagnose or treat any disease. We only offer to diagnose either vertebral subluxation or neuromusculoskeletal conditions. However, if during the course of a chiropractic spinal evaluation we encounter non-chiropractic or unusual findings, we will advise you. If you desire advice, diagnosis, or treatment for those findings, we will recommend that you seek the services of a health care provider who specializes in that area.

Regardless of what the disease is called, we do not offer to treat it. Nor do we offer advice regarding treatment prescribed by others. OUR ONLY PRACTICE OBJECTIVE is to eliminate a major interference to the expression of the body's innate wisdom. Our only method is specific adjusting to correct vertebral subluxations. However, we may use other procedures to help your body hold the adjustments.

I, _____ have read and fully understand the above statements.
(Print name)

All questions regarding the doctor's objectives pertaining to my care in this office have been answered to my complete satisfaction. I therefore accept chiropractic care on this basis.

(Signature)

(Date)

Consent to evaluate and adjust a minor child

I, _____ being the parent or legal guardian of _____
Have read and fully understand the above terms of acceptance and hereby grant permission for my child to receive chiropractic care.

X-Ray Release (signature required)

This is to certify that to the best of my knowledge I am not pregnant and the above doctor and his associates have my permission to perform an x-ray evaluation. I have been advised that x-ray can be hazardous to an unborn child.

(Signature)

(Date)

Yarmouth Spinal Care
219 Route 1, Yarmouth, ME 04096

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES FOR PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

Our Legal Duty

We are required by law to maintain the privacy of protected health information and to provide you with notice of our legal duties and privacy practices with respect to your protected health information. We must abide by the terms of this Notice while it is in effect. However, we reserve the right to change the terms of this Notice and to make the new notice provisions effective for all of the protected health information that we maintain. If we make a change in the terms of this Notice, we will notify you in writing and provide you with a paper copy of the new Notice, upon request.

Uses and Disclosures

There are a number of **situations in which we may use or disclose** to other persons or entities your confidential health information. Certain uses and disclosures will require you to sign an acknowledgement that you received this Notice of Privacy Practices. These include treatment, payment, and health care operations. Any use or disclosure of your protected health information required for anything other than treatment, payment or health care operations requires you to sign an Authorization. Certain disclosures that are required by law, or under emergency circumstances, may be made without your Acknowledgement or Authorization. Under any circumstance, we will use or disclose only the minimum amount of information necessary from your medical records to accomplish the intended purpose of the disclosure.

We will attempt in good faith to obtain your signed Acknowledgement that you received this Notice to use and disclose your confidential medical information for the following purposes. These examples are not meant to be exhaustive, but to describe the types of uses and disclosures that may be made by our office once you have provided Consent.

Treatment. *Example:* We may use your health information within our office to provide health care services to you or we may disclose your health information to another provider if it is necessary to refer you to them for services.

Payment. *Example:* We may disclose your health information to a third party such as an insurance carrier, an HMO, a PPO, or your employer, in order to obtain payment for services provided to you.

Health Care Operations. *Example:* We may use your health information to conduct internal quality assessment and improvement activities and for business management and general administrative activities.

Appointment Reminders. *Example:* Your name, address and phone number and health care records may be used to contact you regarding appointment reminders (such as voicemail messages, postcards or letters), information about alternatives to your present care, or other health related information that may be of interest to you.

Protection of Reproductive Health Information: Your health information related to reproductive health is protected by federal law. We are committed to *safeguarding this information and ensuring that it is used and disclosed only as permitted by law.*

- **Disclosure Prohibitions:** We will not disclose your reproductive health information for purposes not authorized by law, including in response to certain legal requests unless they comply with strict federal requirements.
- **Attestation Requirement:** If we receive a request for your reproductive health information from law enforcement, oversight agencies, or other entities, we will require a signed attestation confirming that the request complies with all applicable federal and state laws protecting this type of information.
- **Your Rights:**
 - You have the right to access, inspect, and obtain copies of your reproductive health information.
 - You may request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures of your reproductive health information.
 - You may file a complaint with us or the Office for Civil Rights if you believe your privacy rights have been violated.

Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Records: Protected Health Information (PHI) related to Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment is subject to special protections under federal law (42 CFR Part 2) and HIPAA.

- **Prohibited Disclosures:** We will not disclose your SUD-related health information without your specific written consent, except as permitted by law. These disclosures include treatment, payment, and healthcare operations only when allowed under federal law.
- **Single Consent:** You may provide a single written consent allowing the use and disclosure of your SUD-related health information for treatment, payment, and healthcare operations across multiple providers or entities involved in your care.

- **Revocation of Consent:** You have the right to revoke your consent at any time, except to the extent that disclosures have already been made in reliance on it.
- **Exceptions:** We may disclose SUD-related information without your consent in specific circumstances, including medical emergencies, audits or evaluations, or when required by a court order.

Commitment to Privacy: Our organization will take reasonable steps to ensure the confidentiality of reproductive health information and to address any questions or concerns about how it is used or disclosed. If you have any questions about this section or your rights, please contact our Privacy Officer at [Insert Contact Information].

There are certain circumstances under which we may use or disclose your health information **without first obtaining your Acknowledgement or Authorization:**

Those circumstances generally involve public health and oversight activities, law-enforcement activities, judicial and administrative proceedings, and in the event of death. Specifically, we may be required to report to certain agencies information concerning certain communicable diseases, sexually transmitted diseases or HIV/AIDS status. We may also be required to report instances of suspected or documented abuse, neglect or domestic violence. We are required to report to appropriate agencies and law-enforcement officials information that you or another person is in immediate threat of danger to health or safety as a result of violent activity. We must also provide health information when ordered by a court of law to do so. We may contact you from time to time to provide appointment reminders or information about treatment alternatives or other health-related benefits and services that may be of interest to you. You should be aware that we utilize an "open adjusting room" in which several people may be adjusted at the same time and in close proximity. We will try to speak quietly to you in a manner reasonably calculated to avoid disclosing your health information to others; however, complete privacy may not be possible in this setting. If you would prefer to be adjusted in a private room, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate your wishes.

Others Involved in Your Healthcare: Unless you object, we may disclose to a member of your family, a relative, a close friend or any other person you identify, your protected health information that directly relates to that person's involvement in your health care. If you are unable to agree or object to such a disclosure, we may disclose such information as necessary if we determine that it is in your best interest based on our professional judgment. We may use or disclose protected health information to notify or assist in notifying a family member, personal representative or any other person that is responsible for your care of your location, general condition or death. Finally, we may use or disclose your protected health information to an authorized public or private entity to assist in disaster relief efforts and to coordinate uses and disclosures to family or other individuals involved in your healthcare.

Communication Barriers and Emergencies: We may use and disclose your protected health information if we attempt to obtain consent from you but are unable to do so because of substantial communication barriers and we determine, using professional judgment, that you

intend to consent to use or disclosure under the circumstances. We may use or disclose your protected health information in an emergency treatment situation. If this happens, we will try to obtain your consent as soon as reasonably practicable after the delivery of treatment. If we are required by law or as a matter of necessity to treat you, and we have attempted to obtain your consent but have been unable to obtain your consent, we may still use or disclose your protected health information to treat you.

EXCEPT AS INDICATED ABOVE, YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION WILL NOT BE USED OR DISCLOSED TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY WITHOUT YOUR SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION, WHICH MAY BE REVOKED AT ANY TIME. In particular, except to the extent disclosure has been made to governmental entities required by law to maintain the confidentiality of the information, information will not be further disclosed to any other person or entity with respect to information concerning mental-health treatment, drug and alcohol abuse, HIV/AIDS or sexually transmitted diseases that may be contained in your health records. We likewise will not disclose your health-record information to an employer for purposes of making employment decisions, to a liability insurer or attorney as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident, or to educational authorities, without your written authorization.

Patient Rights

Right to Request Restrictions. You may request that we restrict the uses and disclosures of your health record information for treatment, payment and operations, or restrictions involving your care or payment related to that care. We are not required to agree to the restriction; however, if we agree, we will comply with it, except with regard to emergencies, disclosure of the information to you, or if we are otherwise required by law to make a full disclosure without restriction. Your request must be made in writing to our Privacy Official.

Right to Receive Confidential Communications. You have a right to request receipt of confidential communications of your medical information by an alternative means or at an alternative location. If you require such an accommodation, you may be charged a fee for the accommodation and will be required to specify the alternative address or method of contact and how payment will be handled. Your request to receive confidential communications must be made in writing to our Privacy Official.

Right to Inspect and/or Copy. You have the right to inspect, copy and request amendments to your health records. Access to your health records will not include psychotherapy notes contained in them, or information compiled in anticipation of or for use in a civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding to which your access is restricted by law. We will charge a reasonable fee for providing a copy of your health records, or a summary of those records, at your request, which includes the cost of copying, postage, and preparation or an explanation or summary of the information. Your request to inspect and/or copy your health information must be made in writing to our Privacy Official.

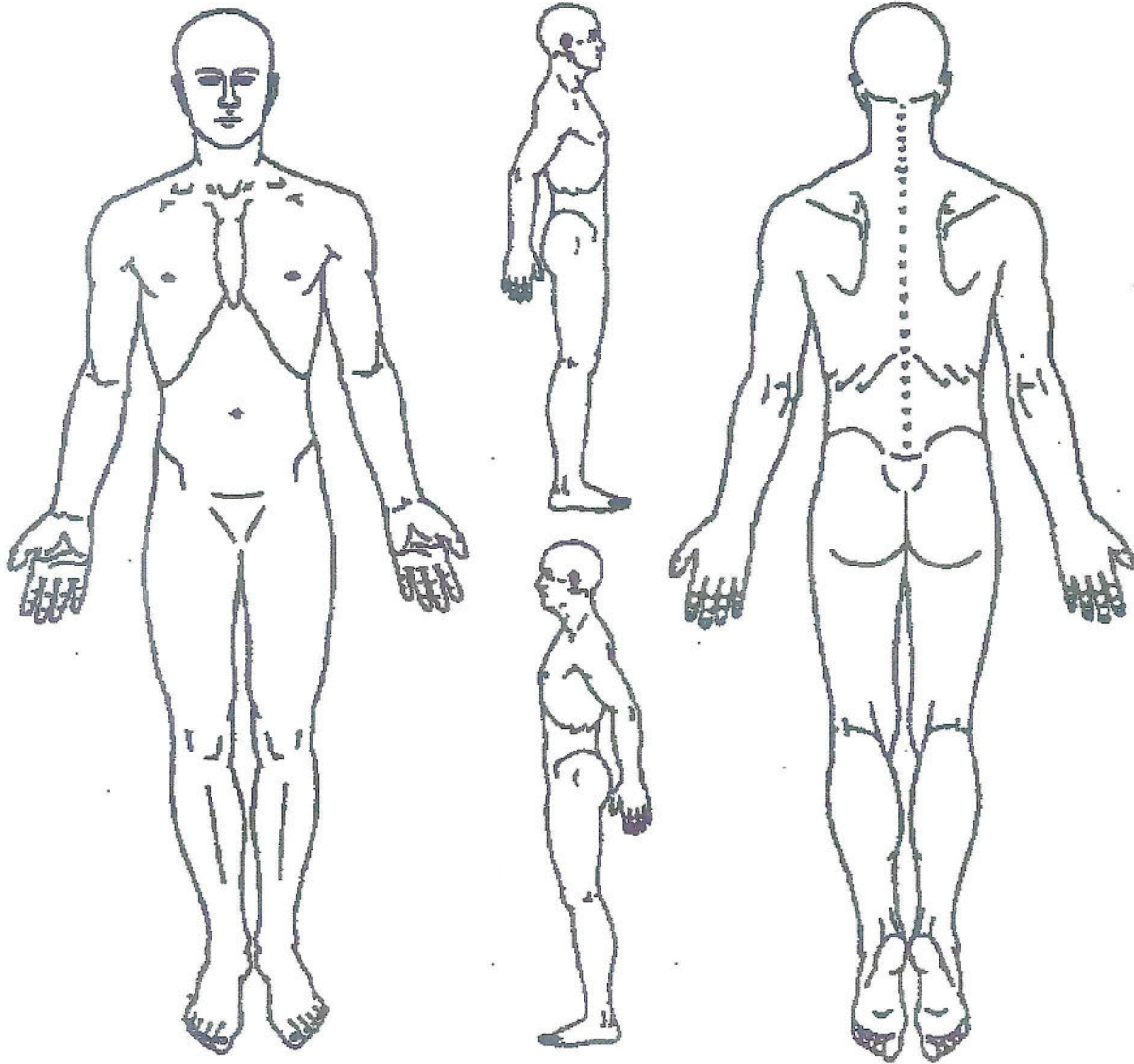
Right to Amend. You have the right to request that we amend certain health information for as long as that information remains in your

Name: _____ Date: _____

PAIN DIAGRAM

On the diagrams below mark where you are experiencing pain, right now. Use the letters below to indicate the type and location of your sensations.

Key: A – ACHE B – BURNING N – NUMBNESS
P – PINS & NEEDLES S – STABBING O – OTHER



PAIN SCALE

Rate the severity of your pain by checking one box on the following scale.

No Pain										Worst Possible Pain
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

BACK BOURNEMOUTH QUESTIONNAIRE

Patient Name _____ Date _____

Instructions: The following scales have been designed to find out about your back pain and how it is affecting you. Please answer ALL the scales, and mark the ONE number on EACH scale that best describes how you feel.

1. Over the past week, on average, how would you rate your back pain?

No pain Worst pain possible
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

2. Over the past week, how much has your back pain interfered with your daily activities (housework, washing, dressing, walking, climbing stairs, getting in/out of bed/chair)?

No interference Unable to carry out activity
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

3. Over the past week, how much has your back pain interfered with your ability to take part in recreational, social, and family activities?

No interference Unable to carry out activity
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

4. Over the past week, how anxious (tense, uptight, irritable, difficulty in concentrating/relaxing) have you been feeling?

Not at all anxious Extremely anxious
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

5. Over the past week, how depressed (down-in-the-dumps, sad, in low spirits, pessimistic, unhappy) have you been feeling?

Not at all depressed Extremely depressed
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

6. Over the past week, how have you felt your work (both inside and outside the home) has affected (or would affect) your back pain?

Have made it no worse Have made it much worse
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

7. Over the past week, how much have you been able to control (reduce/help) your back pain on your own?

Completely control it No control whatsoever
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Examiner

OTHER COMMENTS: _____

NECK BOURNEMOUTH QUESTIONNAIRE

Patient Name _____ Date _____

Instructions: The following scales have been designed to find out about your neck pain and how it is affecting you. Please answer ALL the scales, and mark the ONE number on EACH scale that best describes how you feel.

1. Over the past week, on average, how would you rate your neck pain?

No pain

Worst pain possible

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

2. Over the past week, how much has your neck pain interfered with your daily activities (housework, washing, dressing, lifting, reading, driving)?

No interference

Unable to carry out activity

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

3. Over the past week, how much has your neck pain interfered with your ability to take part in recreational, social, and family activities?

No interference

Unable to carry out activity

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

4. Over the past week, how anxious (tense, uptight, irritable, difficulty in concentrating/relaxing) have you been feeling?

Not at all anxious

Extremely anxious

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

5. Over the past week, how depressed (down-in-the-dumps, sad, in low spirits, pessimistic, unhappy) have you been feeling?

Not at all depressed

Extremely depressed

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

6. Over the past week, how have you felt your work (both inside and outside the home) has affected (or would affect) your neck pain?

Have made it no worse

Have made it much worse

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

7. Over the past week, how much have you been able to control (reduce/help) your neck pain on your own?

Completely control it

No control whatsoever

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

OTHER COMMENTS: _____
Examiner



PATIENT CONSENT FOR USE & DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

With my consent, Yarmouth Spinal Care (YSC) may use and disclose protected health information (PHI) to carry out treatment, payment and healthcare options (TPO). Please refer to Yarmouth Spinal Care Notice of Privacy for a more complete description of such uses and disclosures. I have the right to review the Notice of Privacy Practices prior to signing this consent. YSC reserves the right to revise its Notice of Privacy Rights at any time. A revised Notice of Privacy Practices may be obtained by forwarding a written request to YSC. With my consent, YSC may call my home or other designated location and leave a message on voice mail or in person in reference to any item that assist the practice in carrying out TPO, such as appointment reminders, insurance items and any call pertaining to my chiropractic care. With my consent, YSC may mail to my home or other designated location any items that assist the practice in carrying out TPO, such as appointment reminder cards and patient statements. By signing this form, I am consenting to YSC's use and disclosure of my PHI to carry out TPO. I may revoke my consent in writing except to the extent that the practice has already made disclosures in reliance upon my prior consent. If I do not sign this consent, YSC may decline to provide treatment to me.

Signature of Patient or Legal Guardian

Print Name of Patient or Legal Guardian

Authorization To Pay Doctor/Clinic

I hereby authorize and direct payment of any medical expense benefits allowable to the doctor/clinic named below as payment toward the total charges for professional services rendered. This payment will not exceed my indebtedness to the doctor/clinic. I agree that a photo static copy of this agreement shall serve as the original.

Signature

Date

Authorization to Pay/Release Is Granted to:

Yarmouth Spinal Care

APPOINTMENT REMINDERS and COMMUNICATION

I hereby consent and state my preference to have my physician, Dr. Scott Glocke, and other staff at YSC communicate with me by email or standard SMS/text messaging, in addition to or to replace leaving phone messages, regarding various aspects of my health care, which may include, but shall not be limited to, test results, appointments, and billing. I understand that email and standard SMS/text messaging are not confidential methods of communication and may be insecure. I further understand that, because of this, there is a risk that email and standard SMS/text messaging regarding my medical care might be intercepted and read by a third party.

I give my permission to leave both appointment reminders AND my private health information at the following (please fill-in the ones you agree to):

Phone number _____

Email _____

Text _____

I give permission to contact me, relative to appointment reminders only, by the following methods:

Phone message at the following number _____

Email messages at the following email address _____

Text messages at the following phone number _____

Informed Consent to Care

You are the decision maker for your health care. Part of our role is to provide you with information to assist you in making informed choices. This process is often referred to as "informed consent" and involves your understanding and agreement regarding the care we recommend, the benefits and risks associated with the care, alternatives, and the potential effect on your health if you choose not to receive the care.

We may conduct some diagnostic or examination procedures if indicated. Any examinations or tests conducted will be carefully performed but may be uncomfortable.

Chiropractic care centrally involves what is known as a chiropractic adjustment. There may be additional supportive procedures or recommendations as well. When providing an adjustment, we use our hands or an instrument to reposition anatomical structures, such as vertebrae. Potential benefits of an adjustment include restoring normal joint motion, reducing swelling and inflammation in a joint, reducing pain in the joint, and improving neurological functioning and overall well-being.

It is important that you understand, as with all health care approaches, results are not guaranteed, and there is no promise to cure. As with all types of health care interventions, there are some risks to care, including, but not limited to: muscle spasms, aggravating and/or temporary increase in symptoms, lack of improvement of symptoms, burns and/or scarring from electrical stimulation and from hot or cold therapies, including but not limited to hot packs and ice, fractures (broken bones), disc injuries, strokes, dislocations, strains, and sprains. With respect to strokes, there is a rare but serious condition known as an "arterial dissection" that typically is caused by a tear in the inner layer of the artery that may cause the development of a thrombus (clot) with the potential to lead to a stroke. The best available scientific evidence supports the understanding that chiropractic adjustment does not cause a dissection in a normal, healthy artery. Disease processes, genetic disorders, medications, and vessel abnormalities may cause an artery to be more susceptible to dissection. Strokes caused by arterial dissections have been associated with over 72 everyday activities such as sneezing, driving, and playing tennis.

Arterial dissections occur in 3-4 of every 100,000 people whether they are receiving health care or not. Patients who experience this condition often, but not always, present to their medical doctor or chiropractor with neck pain and headache. Unfortunately a percentage of these patients will experience a stroke.

The reported association between chiropractic visits and stroke is exceedingly rare and is estimated to be related in one in one million to one in two million cervical adjustments. For comparison, the incidence of hospital admission attributed to aspirin use from major GI events of the entire (upper and lower) GI tract was 1219 events/ per one million persons/year and risk of death has been estimated as 104 per one million users.

It is also important that you understand there are treatment options available for your condition other than chiropractic procedures. Likely, you have tried many of these approaches already. These options may include, but are not limited to: self-administered care, over-the-counter pain relievers, physical measures and rest, medical care with prescription drugs, physical therapy, bracing, injections, and surgery. Lastly, you have the right to a second opinion and to secure other opinions about your circumstances and health care as you see fit.

I have read, or have had read to me, the above consent. I appreciate that it is not possible to consider every possible complication to care. I have also had an opportunity to ask questions about its content, and by signing below, I agree with the current or future recommendation to receive chiropractic care as is deemed appropriate for my circumstance. I intend this consent to cover the entire course of care from all providers in this office for my present condition and for any future condition(s) for which I seek chiropractic care from this office.

Patient Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Witness Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

COVID-19 INFORMED CONSENT TO TREAT

I understand that the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) has been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO). I further understand that COVID-19 is extremely contagious and may be contracted from various sources. I understand COVID-19 has a long incubation period during which carriers of the virus may not show symptoms and still be contagious.

I understand that I am the decision maker for my health care. Part of this office's role is to provide me with information to assist me in making informed choices. This process is often referred to as "informed consent" and involves my understanding and agreement regarding recommended care, and the benefits and risks associated with the provision of health care during a pandemic. Given the current limitations of COVID-19 virus testing, I understand determining who is infected with COVID-19 is exceptionally difficult.

To proceed with receiving care, I confirm and understand the following (Initial in all seven places provided)

**Initial
Below**

- I understand my treatment may create circumstances, such as the discharge of respiratory droplets or person-to-person contact, in which COVID-19 can be transmitted. _____
- I understand that I am opting for an elective treatment that may not be urgent or medically necessary, and that I have the option to defer my treatment to a later date. However, while I understand the potential risks associated with receiving treatment during the COVID-19 pandemic, I agree to proceed with my desired treatment at this time. _____
- I understand due to the frequency of appointments with patients, the attributes of the virus, and the characteristics of procedures, I may have an elevated risk of contracting COVID-19 simply by being in a health care office. _____
- I confirm I am not experiencing any of the following symptoms of COVID-19 that are listed below:

*Fever	*Dry Cough	*Sore Throat
*Shortness of Breath	*Runny Nose	*Loss of Taste or Smell

- I understand travel increases my risk of contracting and transmitting the COVID-19 virus. I verify that I have NOT in the past 14 days I have not traveled: 1) Outside of the United States to countries that have been affected by COVID-19; or 2) Domestically within the United States by commercial airline, bus, or train. _____
- I am informed that you and your staff have implemented preventative measures intended to reduce the spread of COVID-19. However, given the nature of the virus, I understand there may be an inherent risk of becoming infected with COVID-19 by proceeding with this treatment. I hereby acknowledge and assume the risk of becoming infected with COVID-19 through this elective treatment and give my express permission to you and the staff at your offices to proceed with providing care. _____
- I have been offered a copy of this consent form. _____

I KNOWINGLY AND WILLINGLY CONSENT TO THE TREATMENT WITH THE FULL UNDERSTANDING AND DISCLOSURE OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH RECEIVING CARE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. I CONFIRM ALL OF MY QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED TO MY SATISFACTION.

I HAVE READ, OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME, THE ABOVE COVID-19 RISK INFORMED CONSENT TO TREAT. I APPRECIATE THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO CONSIDER EVERY POSSIBLE COMPLICATION TO CARE. I HAVE ALSO HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT ITS CONTENT, AND BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE WITH THE CURRENT OR FUTURE RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE CARE AS IS DEEMED APPROPRIATE FOR MY CIRCUMSTANCE. I INTEND THIS CONSENT TO COVER THE ENTIRE COURSE OF CARE FROM ALL PROVIDERS IN THIS OFFICE FOR MY PRESENT CONDITION AND FOR ANY FUTURE CONDITION(S) FOR WHICH I SEEK CARE FROM THIS OFFICE.

Patient Signature: _____	Parent / Guardian Signature _____	Witness Signature _____
Name _____	Name _____	Name: _____
Date _____	Date _____	Date: _____