

# COLORADO ARTHRITIS ASSOCIATES

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Dear New Patient,

If you are scheduled to see Dr. Kassan:

**Please be advised that it is not uncommon for his wait time to exceed two hours.** Dr. Kassan typically spends 30-60 minutes with new patients. We offer pagers that allow you to travel up to 1 mile away so that you may run an errand or get a bite to eat while you are waiting to see the doctor. You may also call ahead of your appointment time so that we can help you adjust your arrival time accordingly. Please note, although we do our best to estimate when he will see you, his wait times can fluctuate. Unfortunately we cannot predict how long he will spend with the patients before you, we will do our best to minimize your wait time. Thank you for your patience.

If you are scheduled to see Heather or Mary:

Mary and Heather do tend to run on time so we do ask that you arrive at your scheduled time. If you are more than 10 minutes late for your appointment, you may be asked to reschedule.

## Insurance

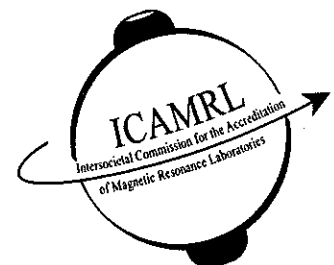
We accept most major private insurance including Anthem/BCBS, United Healthcare, Humana, Bright Health, and Rocky Mountain Health Plan, and Cigna. However, we may be out of network for some of the individual plans listed above. Please check with your insurance to make sure Dr. Kassan is in network prior to your appointment.

## Medicare

We do accept Medicare patients if they have a secondary insurance only.

## Medicaid

We only accept Medicaid as a secondary insurance.



Tricare

We only accept Tricare as a secondary. We do not take Tricare Prime.

Work Comp

We do not see work comp cases.

Referrals

Some plans require that you obtain a referral from your primary care physician. Please note that if your plan requires a referral for your visit, and you do not have one, you will be asked to reschedule. It is the patient's responsibility to obtain the referral from their PCP. It is best to hand carry the referral with you to your visit to make sure it is in place at your appointment time. Referrals are typically only good for 6 visits or 6 months. Please keep track of when your referral expires so that you can contact your PCP for a new one prior to the expiration date.

Medical Records

It is important that we have as much information as possible about your medical history. Please bring a list of all medications including dosage. We recommend that you carry with you any recent blood work, records from other physicians, x-rays, or reports from other imaging with you to your appointment. We will also need your insurance card(s) and a photo ID.

I have read the above information.

X \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Printed Name

# RHEUMATOLOGY PATIENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Date of First Appointment: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial Maiden

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_F\_\_\_M  
Street Apt. No.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: Home:(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Work: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_

Referred By: (Check One)  
 \_\_\_ Self \_\_\_ Family \_\_\_ Friend \_\_\_ Doctor \_\_\_ Other Health Professional

Name of Person Making Referral: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Physician Providing Your General Medical Care (Your PCP)? \_\_\_\_\_

Do You Have An Orthopedic Surgeon? \_\_\_\_\_ If Yes, Name \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Briefly Your Present Symptoms: \_\_\_\_\_

When Symptoms Began (Approximate): \_\_\_\_\_ Diagnosis Given? \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Treatment For This Problem (Include Physical Therapy, Surgery And Injections; **Medications To Be Listed Later**)

Please List The Names Of Other Practitioners You Have Seen For This Problem: \_\_\_\_\_

## **RHEUMATOLOGIC (ARTHRITIS) HISTORY**

At any time have you or a blood relative had any of the following? (Check if Yes)

Yourself	Relative Name / Relationship	Yourself	Relative Name / Relationship
_____ Arthritis (type unknown)	_____	_____ Lupus or SLE	_____
_____ Osteoarthritis	_____	_____ Ankylosing Spondylitis	_____
_____ Rheumatoid Arthritis	_____	_____ Childhood Arthritis	_____
_____ Gout	_____	_____ Osteoporosis	_____

Other Arthritis Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

How much pain have you had because of your condition **IN THE PAST WEEK?**  
(Place a mark on the line below to indicate):

NO PAIN | \_\_\_\_\_ | PAIN AS BAD  
AS COULD BE

How much of a problem has UNUSUAL fatigue or tiredness been for you OVER THE PAST WEEK  
(Place a mark on the line below to indicate):

FATIGUE IS | \_\_\_\_\_ | FATIGUE IS  
NO PROBLEM MAJOR PROBLEM

**PAST PERSONAL HISTORY**

Childhood Diseases (Check If You Have Had):

\_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Pox \_\_\_\_\_ Mumps  
\_\_\_\_\_ Measles \_\_\_\_\_ Strep Throat  
\_\_\_\_\_ German Measles

Other Please List: \_\_\_\_\_

Environmental Exposures (Check and List All That Apply To You):

\_\_\_\_\_ Toxins, solvents/other: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Animal / Pet Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Foreign Travel: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Camping / Tick Exposure: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Blood Transfusions (When): \_\_\_\_\_

Health Maintenance:

List Year When You Last Had The Following:

Immunizations: Flu \_\_\_\_\_ Pneumococcal \_\_\_\_\_ Tetanus \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Rectal Exam \_\_\_\_\_ PAP Smear \_\_\_\_\_  
Stool Exam For Blood \_\_\_\_\_ Flexible Sigmoidoscopy \_\_\_\_\_  
Breast Exam \_\_\_\_\_ Cholesterol \_\_\_\_\_ Colonoscopy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mammogram \_\_\_\_\_ Prostate Cancer Blood Test \_\_\_\_\_

**PAST PERSONAL HISTORY (Continued):**

Do You, Or Have You Had: (***Check If Yes***)

Cancer \_\_\_\_\_ Heart Problems \_\_\_\_\_ Asthma \_\_\_\_\_ Goiter \_\_\_\_\_

Leukemia \_\_\_\_\_ Stroke \_\_\_\_\_ Cataracts \_\_\_\_\_ Diabetes \_\_\_\_\_

Epilepsy \_\_\_\_\_ Nervous Breakdown \_\_\_\_\_ Stomach Ulcers \_\_\_\_\_

Rheumatic Fever \_\_\_\_\_ Bad Headaches \_\_\_\_\_ Jaundice \_\_\_\_\_

Colitis \_\_\_\_\_ Kidney Disease \_\_\_\_\_ Pneumonia \_\_\_\_\_

Psoriasis \_\_\_\_\_ Anemia \_\_\_\_\_ Kidney Stones \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies / Asthma \_\_\_\_\_ Eczema / Hay Fever \_\_\_\_\_

Other Significant Illness (Please List): \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous Operations / Hospitalizations:**

Type / Problem	Year	Surgeon / Physician	City
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Any Previous Fractures? \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_ Y Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Other Serious Injuries? \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_ Y Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**DRUG ALLERGIES / ADVERSE REACTIONS:**

Have You Had Any Drug Allergies / Reactions? \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_ Y

To What? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Reaction: \_\_\_\_\_

## SYSTEMS REVIEW

As you review the following list, please check any of these problems which apply to you:

### GENERAL

- Recent weight gain / amount
- Recent weight loss / amount
- Fatigue
- Weakness
- Fever

### NERVOUS SYSTEM

- Headaches
- Dizziness
- Fainting
- Muscle spasm
- Loss of consciousness
- Sensitivity or pain of hands and/or feet
- Memory loss

### EARS

- Ringing in ears
- Loss of hearing

### EYES

- Pain
- Redness
- Loss of vision
- Double or blurred vision
- Dryness
- Feels like something in eye

### NOSE

- Nosebleeds
- Loss of smell
- Dryness

### MOUTH

- Sore tongue
- Bleeding gums
- Sores in mouth
- Loss of taste
- Dryness

### THROAT

- Frequent sore throats
- Hoarseness
- Difficulty in swallowing

Date of last eye examination \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of last chest x-ray \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of last Tuberculosis test \_\_\_\_\_

### MENSTRUAL

Age when periods began \_\_\_\_\_ Periods regular \_\_\_Y\_\_\_N How many days apart \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of last period \_\_\_\_\_ Date of last Pap Smear \_\_\_\_\_ Bleeding after menopause \_\_\_Y\_\_\_N

### NECK

- Swollen glands
- Tender glands

### HEART AND LUNGS

- Pain in chest
- Irregular heart beat
- Sudden changes in breathing at night
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty in breathing at night
- Swollen legs or feet
- High blood pressure
- Heart murmurs
- Cough
- Coughing of blood
- Wheezing
- Night sweats

### STOMACH AND INTESTINES

- Nausea
- Vomiting of blood or coffee ground material
- Stomach pain relieved by food or milk
- Yellow Jaundice
- Increasing constipation
- Persistent diarrhea
- Blood in stools
- Black stools
- Heartburn

### KIDNEY/URINE/BLADDER

- Difficult urination
- Pain or burning on urination
- Blood in urine
- Cloudy/Smoky urine
- Pus in urine
- Discharge from penis/vagina
- Frequent urination
- Waking up at night to urinate
- Vaginal dryness
- Sexual difficulties
- Prostate trouble

### SKIN

- Easy bruising
- Redness
- Rash
- Hives
- Sun sensitive
- Tightness
- Nodules/Bumps
- Hair loss
- Color changes of hands or feet in the cold

### MUSCLES/JOINTS/BONES

- Morning stiffness
  - Lasting how long:
    - Minutes
    - Hours
  - Joint pain
  - Muscle weakness
  - Muscle tenderness
  - Joint swelling
- List joints affected in last 6 mos.
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

### OTHER

- Numbness
- Seizures
- Depression
- Suicide attempt
- Sinusitis
- Blood clots
- Miscarriages
- Snoring
- Muscle cramps
- Legs jump at night
- Cold intolerance
- Breast lump/discharge

### BLOOD

- Anemia
- Bleeding tendency

**FAMILY HISTORY**

If Living		If Deceased	
Father: Age _____	Health _____	Age at Death _____	Cause _____
Mother: Age _____	Health _____	Age at Death _____	Cause _____
Number of Brothers _____	Number Living _____	Number Deceased _____	
Number of Sisters _____	Number Living _____	Number Deceased _____	
Number of Children _____	Number Living _____	Number Deceased _____	List Ages of Each _____
Serious Illnesses of Children _____ _____			

Do you know of any blood relative who has or had: (check and give relationship)

Cancer \_\_\_\_\_ Heart Problems \_\_\_\_\_ Asthma \_\_\_\_\_ Goiter \_\_\_\_\_  
Leukemia \_\_\_\_\_ Stroke \_\_\_\_\_ Cataracts \_\_\_\_\_ Diabetes \_\_\_\_\_  
Epilepsy \_\_\_\_\_ High Blood Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ Bleeding Tendency \_\_\_\_\_ Rheumatic Fever \_\_\_\_\_  
Migraine \_\_\_\_\_ Colitis \_\_\_\_\_ Kidney Disease \_\_\_\_\_ Pneumonia \_\_\_\_\_  
Psoriasis \_\_\_\_\_ Alcoholism \_\_\_\_\_ Emphysema \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies/Asthma \_\_\_\_\_  
Mental Illness \_\_\_\_\_

**MARITAL STATUS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Never Married \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Divorced \_\_\_\_\_ Separated  
Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Alive / Age \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Deceased / Age \_\_\_\_\_ Major Illnesses \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION (Circle Highest Level Attended)**

Grade School	Junior High School	7	8	9	College	1	2	3	4
	High School	10	11	12	Graduate School				

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Average Number Of Hours Worked Per Week \_\_\_\_\_

**SOCIAL HABITS:**

Do you drink coffee? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cups per day? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you smoke? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cigarettes per day? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Has anyone ever told you to cut  
 down on your drinking? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you use drugs for reasons that  
 are not medical? If so, please list:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

How many pillows do you sleep on  
 each night? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you get enough sleep at night?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
 Do you wake up feeling rested?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Diet:**  
 Special diet \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dairyproducts \_\_\_\_\_  
 Health foods \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is your appetite good? \_\_\_\_\_

**Exercise:**  
 What do you do for exercise each  
 week? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Leisure:**  
 Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL BELIEFS, COPING, AND LIFE STRESS SCALES:**

*Chose the best answer for how you felt over the past week*

*Please Circle One*

Are you basically satisfied with your life?	Yes	No
Have you dropped many of your activities and interests?	Yes	No
Do you feel your life is empty?	Yes	No
Do you often get bored?	Yes	No
Are you in good spirits most of the time?	Yes	No
Are you afraid that something bad is going to happen to you?	Yes	No
Do you feel happy most of the time?	Yes	No
Do you often feel helpless?	Yes	No
Do you prefer staying at home to going out and doing new things?	Yes	No
Do you feel you have more problems with memory than most people?	Yes	No
Do you think it is wonderful to be alive now?	Yes	No
Do you feel pretty worthless the way you are now?	Yes	No
Do you feel full of energy?	Yes	No
Do you feel that your situation is hopeless?	Yes	No
Do you think that most people are better off than you are?	Yes	No
Do you have difficulty concentrating or making decisions?	Yes	No
Do you have problems thinking clearly?	Yes	No
Do you get upset or agitated easily?	Yes	No
Do you find it difficult to find the correct word?	Yes	No
Have you had more problems with depression or thoughts of death recently?	Yes	No
Do you feel in control of your life with respect to decision making, daily activity and routines, and responding to the needs and requests of others?	Yes	No
Do you feel you have ever suffered mental, physical, or sexual abuse during your life?	Yes	No
Do you have any significant personal, family, or job-related stresses that you have recently or are presently having to deal with?	Yes	No



**HOME CONDITIONS:**

\_\_\_\_\_ House \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment

Do you have to climb stairs? \_\_\_\_\_ Y \_\_\_\_\_ N If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people in household? \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship and age of each \_\_\_\_\_

Who does most of the housework? \_\_\_\_\_

Who does most of the shopping? \_\_\_\_\_

On the scale below, circle a number that best describes the situation. **MOST OF THE TIME I FUNCTION....**

1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_  
 VERY POORLY POORLY OK WELL VERY WELL

**Because of health problems, do you have difficulty:**

(please check the appropriate response for each question)

	<u>Usually</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>No</u>
Using your hands to grasp small objects? (buttons, pencil, etc.)	_____	_____	_____
Walking?	_____	_____	_____
Climbing stairs?	_____	_____	_____
Descending stairs?	_____	_____	_____
Sitting down?	_____	_____	_____
Getting up from chair?	_____	_____	_____
Touching feet while seated?	_____	_____	_____
Reaching behind your back?	_____	_____	_____
Reaching behind your head?	_____	_____	_____
Dressing yourself?	_____	_____	_____
Going to sleep?	_____	_____	_____
Staying asleep due to pain?	_____	_____	_____
Obtaining restful sleep?	_____	_____	_____
Bathing?	_____	_____	_____
Eating?	_____	_____	_____
Working?	_____	_____	_____
Getting along with other family members?	_____	_____	_____
In your sexual relationship?	_____	_____	_____
Engaging in leisure time activities?	_____	_____	_____
With morning stiffness?	_____	_____	_____
Do you use a cane, crutches, a walker, or a wheelchair? (circle item)	_____	_____	_____

What is the hardest thing for you to do? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you receiving disability? Yes No  
 Are you applying for disability? Yes No  
 Do you have a medically related lawsuit pending? Yes No

