

## Chiropractic Intake

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI  
DOB: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ City State Zip  
Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name & phone number.

Is MEDICARE your primary insurance? Y / N

*Please provide your Medicare and  
secondary insurance cards for copy.*

If YES, do you have secondary insurance? Y / N

☐ If you have chiropractic coverage with any insurance other than Medicare and would like a statement provided to you for reimbursement, please check here.

Were you involved in an auto accident? Y / N

Are your symptoms a result of an injury at work? Y / N

Chief complaint (why are you seeking treatment?) \_\_\_\_\_

How did this begin? \_\_\_\_\_

When did this begin? \_\_\_\_\_

Has this happened before? Y / N Were you treated for this before? Y / N

Previous treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

Since the problem began, it has: ☐ Improved ☐ Worsened ☐ Not changed

The problem bothers me:

☐ Occasionally (0-25% of the time) ☐ Intermittently (26-50%) ☐ Frequently (51-75%) ☐ Constantly (76-100%)

Rate your pain as you feel today: 0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10  
No pain Moderate Unbearable

Do you notice your pain mostly in the: ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon ☐ Night

Any other associated symptoms? \_\_\_\_\_

My signature, below, certifies that I am aware that all services are payable when treatment is rendered; that I understand I will be responsible for payment to any other facilities and/or health care providers that I may be referred to by Dr. Cox and any emergency transportation that may be required thereto; that the preceding questions have been answered truthfully and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Patient/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Informed Consent

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To the Patient: Please read this entire document prior to signing it. It is important that you understand the information contained in this document. Please ask questions before you sign if there is anything that is unclear.

**The nature of the chiropractic adjustment.** The primary treatment used by doctors of chiropractic is spinal manipulative therapy. I will use that procedure to treat you. I may use my hands or a mechanical instrument upon your body in such a way as to move your joints. That may cause an audible "pop" or "click," much as you have experienced when you "crack" your knuckles. You may feel a sense of movement.

**Analysis/Examination/Treatment.** As a part of the analysis, exam, and treatment, you are consenting to the following procedures: spinal manipulative therapy, soft tissue manipulation, palpation, vital signs, range of motion testing, cryotherapy, orthopedic testing, basic neurological, muscle strength testing, postural analysis testing

**The material risks inherent in chiropractic adjustment.** As with any healthcare procedure, there are certain complications which may arise during chiropractic manipulation and therapy. These complications include but are not limited to: fractures, disc injuries, dislocations, muscle strain, cervical myelopathy, costovertebral strains and separations, and burns. Some types of manipulation of the neck have been associated with injuries to the arteries in the neck leading to or contributing to serious complications including stroke. Some patients will feel some stiffness and soreness following the first few days of treatment. The Doctor will make every reasonable effort during the examination to screen for contraindications to care; however if you have a condition that would otherwise not come to the Doctor's attention it is your responsibility to inform the Doctor.

**The probability of those risks occurring.** Fractures are rare occurrences and generally result from some underlying weakness of the bone which we check for during the taking of your history and during examination and X-ray (if warranted). Stroke and /or vertebral artery dissection caused by chiropractic manipulation of the neck has been the subject of ongoing medical research and debate. The most current research on the topic is inconclusive as to a specific incident of this complication occurring. If there is a causal relationship at all it is extremely rare and remote. Unfortunately, there is no recognized screening procedure to identify patients with neck pain who are at risk of a vertebral artery stroke.

### Other treatment options.

- Self-administered, over-the-counter analgesics and rest
- Medical care and prescription drugs such as anti-inflammatory, muscle relaxants and pain-killers
- Hospitalization
- Surgery

**The risks and dangers attendant to remaining untreated.** Remaining untreated may allow the formation of adhesions and reduce mobility which may set up a pain reaction further reducing mobility. Over time this process may complicate treatment making it more difficult and less effective the longer it is postponed.

**DO NOT SIGN UNTIL YOU HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE. PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BLOCK AND SIGN BELOW**

I have read, or have had read to me, the above explanation of the chiropractic adjustment and related treatment. I have discussed it with James Cox, DC (Lic#30853) and have had my questions answered to my satisfaction. By signing below I state that I have weighed the risks involved in undergoing treatment and have decided that it is in my best interest to undergo the treatment recommended. Having been informed of the risks, I hereby give my consent to that treatment.

**Patient's Name (print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dated** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Guardian (if a minor)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dated** \_\_\_\_\_

**Doctor's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Doctor's signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dated** \_\_\_\_\_