

**DiSalvatore Chiropractic**  
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## **WELCOME TO OUR OFFICE....**

The doctors of DiSalvatore Chiropractic are committed to serving those people who desire conservative chiropractic treatment for their health care needs. This commitment begins with collecting enough information from the patient about their condition to arrive at a logical diagnosis. Without a logical diagnosis, treatment options are less effective. This wastes both time and money.

The following forms will provide us with much of the information that will help us help you. Some forms are long and many questions at first may seem irrelevant; however, each question may lead us closer to pinpointing your exact problem and/or aggravation of your complaint.

So please take the extra time to complete all forms to the best of your ability.

**YOUR HEALTH DEPENDS ON IT.**

Dr. Tom DiSalvatore and Staff

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**CONFIDENTIAL PATIENT INFORMATION**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ **Please circle your preferred method of contact:**

Patients Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

SS#: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: S M D W

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Person to contact in case of emergency (Name and Phone): \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been under Chiropractic care?  Yes  No If so, Who? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our office? \_\_\_\_\_

**INSURANCE:**

Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Insured Name (if different from patient): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Patient: \_\_\_\_\_ Insured Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

SS#: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your condition due to an auto accident or job related injury?  Yes  No

**OUR OFFICE POLICY REGARDING INSURANCE ASSIGNMENT**

I understand and agree that health and accident policies are an arrangement between an insurance carrier and myself. Furthermore, I understand that the office of Thomas D. DiSalvatore, D.C. Inc. will prepare any necessary reports and forms to assist me in making collection from the insurance company and that any amount authorized to be paid directly to Thomas D. DiSalvatore, D.C. Inc. will be credited to my account upon receipt. However, I clearly understand and agree that all services rendered me are charged directly to me and that I am personally responsible for payment. I also understand that if I suspend or terminate my care and treatment, any fees for professional services rendered me will be immediately due and payable. I authorize the office of Thomas D. DiSalvatore, D.C. Inc. to release any medical information necessary to process my insurance claims. I further authorize payment by my insurance company to Thomas D. DiSalvatore, D.C. Inc. for services rendered by the doctors of Thomas D. DiSalvatore, D.C. Inc. if I have not paid for the services. Any overpayment by the insurance company will be returned to the patient or the insurance company. This authorization will continue in effect until I give written authorization not to release such information. I authorize payment of medical benefits to Thomas D. DiSalvatore, D.C., Inc. for services provided.

I will be paying today by:  Cash  Check  Credit Card

MasterCard  Visa  Discover Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ CVV \_\_\_\_\_

**All accounts not paid within 60 days will automatically be put through on your credit card.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFIDENTIAL HEALTH HISTORY**

**FAMILY HEALTH HISTORY**

**Check any of the following diseases that you, your mother, father, sister, brother, son or daughter have had. Please specify what type (if applicable) and who has had the diseases below:**

_____ Cancer	_____ Kidney Disease	_____ Clotting Disorder
_____ Lung Disease	_____ Heart Disease	_____ Osteoporosis
_____ Diabetes	_____ Hypertension	_____ Psychological Disorder
_____ Septicemia	_____ Stroke/Brain Attack	_____ Gastrointestinal Disorder

**YOUR PERSONAL HEALTH HISTORY**

**Check any of the following diseases that apply to just yourself:**

\_\_\_ Measles \_\_\_ Polio \_\_\_ Tuberculosis \_\_\_ Epilepsy \_\_\_ Anemia \_\_\_ Mumps \_\_\_ Small Pox \_\_\_ Eczema  
 \_\_\_ Chicken Pox \_\_\_ Arthritis \_\_\_ Whooping Cough \_\_\_ Rheumatic Fever \_\_\_ Thyroid \_\_\_ HIV Positive

<b>Exercise</b>	<b>Work Activity</b>	<b>Habits</b>	
___ None	___ Sitting	___ Smoking	Packs/Day _____
___ Moderate	___ Standing	___ Alcohol	Drinks/Week _____
___ Daily	___ Light Labor	___ Coffee/Caffeine	Cups/Day _____
___ Heavy	___ Heavy Labor	___ High Stress Level	Reason _____

**CHECK ANY OF THE FOLLOWING YOU HAVE HAD IN THE PAST SIX MONTHS:**

<p><u>Musculoskeletal</u></p> <p>___ Low Back Pain</p> <p>___ Pain Between Shoulders</p> <p>___ Neck pain</p> <p>___ Arm pain</p> <p>___ Joint Pain/Stiffness</p> <p>___ Walking Problems</p> <p>___ Difficulty Chewing/Clicking Jaw</p> <p>___ General Stiffness</p> <p><u>Nervous System</u></p> <p>___ Nervous</p> <p>___ Numbness</p> <p>___ Paralysis</p> <p>___ Dizziness</p> <p>___ Forgetfulness</p> <p>___ Confusion/Depression</p> <p>___ Fainting</p> <p>___ Convulsions</p> <p>___ Cold/Tingling Extremities</p> <p>___ Stress</p> <p><u>General</u></p> <p>___ Fatigue</p> <p>___ Allergies</p> <p>___ Loss of Sleep</p> <p>___ Fever</p> <p>___ Headaches</p>	<p><u>Gastro-intestinal</u></p> <p>___ Poor/Excessive Appetite</p> <p>___ Excessive Thirst</p> <p>___ Frequent Nausea</p> <p>___ Vomiting</p> <p>___ Diarrhea</p> <p>___ Constipation</p> <p>___ Hemorrhoids</p> <p>___ Liver Problems</p> <p>___ Gall Bladder Problems</p> <p>___ Weight Trouble</p> <p>___ Abdominal Cramps</p> <p>___ Gas/Bloating after meals</p> <p>___ Heartburn</p> <p>___ Black/ Bloody Stool</p> <p>___ Colitis</p> <p><u>Genito-Urinary</u></p> <p>___ Bladder Trouble</p> <p>___ Painful/Excessive Urination</p> <p>___ Discolored Urine</p> <p><u>CVR</u></p> <p>___ Chest Pain</p> <p>___ Short Breath</p> <p>___ Blood pressure problems</p> <p>___ Irregular heartbeat</p>	<p><u>CVR Cont'd</u></p> <p>___ Heart Problems</p> <p>___ Lung Problems/Congestion</p> <p>___ Varicose Veins</p> <p>___ Ankle Swelling</p> <p><u>EENT</u></p> <p>___ Vision Problems</p> <p>___ Dental Problems</p> <p>___ Sore Throat</p> <p>___ Ear Aches</p> <p>___ Hearing difficulty</p> <p>___ Stuffed Nose</p> <p><u>Male/Female</u></p> <p>___ Menstrual Irregularity</p> <p>___ Menstrual Cramps</p> <p>___ Vaginal Pain/Infection</p> <p>___ Breast Pain/ Lumps</p> <p>___ Prostate</p> <p><u>Females Only</u></p> <p>When was your last period? _____</p> <p>Are you pregnant? ___ Yes ___ No</p>
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**YOUR PERSONAL HEALTH HISTORY**

Do you have a pacemaker? Y / N      When was it implanted? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had a knee, hip or shoulder replacement? (Please circle)    Y / N

Which knee? (Please circle)                  right    left

Which hip? (Please circle)                    right    left

Which shoulder? (Please circle)            right    left

What medications or drugs are you taking? Please list below OR see medication list provided: (check here) \_\_\_\_\_

Medications/Doses: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What nutritional supplements are you taking?

Supplements/Doses: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Surgeries/operations and dates:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Serious illness, accidents and infectious diseases and dates:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Financial Policy**

### **Insurance Coverage**

Welcome to **DiSalvatore Chiropractic**. Your insurance policy is an agreement between you and your insurer, not between your insurer and this clinic. Like all types of care, coverage for chiropractic services varies from insurer to insurer and plan to plan. Most insurance policies require the beneficiary to pay co-insurance, co-payment and/or a deductible. For example: if you have a deductible of \$100, and your insurance pays 80%, you are responsible for 20% of all charges incurred during the year after you have paid your \$100 at the beginning of the year. Our clinic will verify your benefits online, however, we are not responsible for your insurer's final payment and benefit determinations.

### **Payments**

In order to help you determine your responsibility toward payment for services, please read the following, and initial your preference for the method of payment of your account. Please notify this office if the status of your insurance changes.

#### **Private Pay: (please initial)**

**A** \_\_\_ As I have no insurance, I agree to assume all responsibility and to keep my account current by paying for services when they are rendered.

**B** \_\_\_ I have insurance, but I wish to file my claims personally, and I agree to assume all responsibility and to keep my account current by paying for each visit at the time services are rendered.

#### **Health Insurance: (please initial)**

**C** \_\_\_ I would like this clinic to bill my insurance. I understand I am responsible for the costs of treatment.

### **Cancellation/No Show Policy** **PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

In an effort to enhance each of your therapy visits, we strongly encourage regular attendance. Due to a recent increase in cancellations and no shows, we have had to establish the following CANCELLATION/NO SHOW policy.

A **\$50.00** fee will be charged for all patients who cancel or do not show for their appointment. In the event of an unexpected conflict, morning appointments that must be cancelled should be phoned in by 8a.m. and afternoon appointments by 12:00pm to avoid the **\$50.00** fee.

Each doctor has a limited amount of treatment spots available each day, so your cancellation notice allows us to place another patient in your cancelled appointment slot to receive needed treatment.

Certain accident claims adjusters and insurances expect regular attendance as a requirement of an approved treatment plan. If appointments are missed or cancelled on a regular basis it could affect the status of your claim. Your treatment plan has been established by our doctors to get you back to your regular activities as quickly as possible. Missing appointments hinders that process and may end up prolonging recovery.

For patients who NO CALL/NO SHOW for three visits in a row, your treatment will be placed on hold and a follow-up appointment with the doctor will be scheduled to discuss your situation.

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**Consent for Purposes of Treatment, Payment and Healthcare Operations (HIPAA)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ [Name of Individual] consent to DiSalvatore Chiropractic's ("the Practice's") use and disclosure of my Protected Health Information for the purpose of providing treatment to me, for purposes relating to the payment of services rendered to me, and for the Practice's general healthcare operations purposes. Healthcare operations purposes shall include, but not be limited to, quality assessment activities, credentialing, business management and other general operation activities. I understand that the Practice's diagnosis or treatment of me may be conditioned upon my consent as evidenced by my signature on this document.

For purposes of this Consent, "Protected Health Information" means any information, including my demographic information, created or received by the Practice, that relates to my past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition; the provision of health care to me; or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care services to me; and that either identifies me or from which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify me.

I understand I have the right to request a restriction on the use and disclosure of my Protected Health Information for the purposes of treatment, payment or healthcare operations of the Practice, but the Practice is not required to agree to these restrictions. However, if the Practice agrees to a restriction that I request, the restriction is binding on the Practice.

I understand I have a right to review the Practice's Notice of Privacy Practices prior to signing this document. The Notice of Privacy Practices describes my rights and the Practice's duties regarding the types of uses and disclosures of my Protected Health Information.

I have the right to revoke this consent, in writing, at any time, except to the extent that Physician or the Practice has acted in reliance on this consent.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Acknowledgement of Receipt of  
Notice of Privacy Practices**  
*This form will be retained in your medical record.*

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**NOTICE TO PATIENT**

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We are required to provide you with a copy of our Notice of Privacy Practices, which states how we may use and/or disclose your health information. Please sign this form to acknowledge receipt of the Notice.

**Patient Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

I acknowledge that I have **received and had the opportunity to review** the Notice of Privacy Practices on the date below on behalf of DiSalvatore Chiropractic.

I understand that the Notice describes the uses and disclosures of my protected health information by DiSalvatore Chiropractic and informs me of my rights with respect to my protected health information.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Patient's Signature or that of Legal Representative*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Printed Name of Patient or that of Legal Representative*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Today's Date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*If Legal Representative, Indicate Relationship*

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### INFORMED CONSENT

I understand that DiSalvatore Chiropractic performs manual therapy techniques, physical therapy procedures, exercise and acupuncture as part of its treatment protocol. Although chiropractic care is considered to be one of the safest, most effective forms of therapy for musculoskeletal problems, I am aware that any form of treatment has potential risks and complications associated with it:

#### Risks of Chiropractic Treatment

<b>Soreness</b>	Like exercise, it is common to experience muscle soreness in the first few treatments.
<b>Dizziness</b>	Temporary symptoms like dizziness and nausea may occur, but are relatively rare.
<b>Rib/Joint Injury</b>	This may include rib fracture or rib cartilage sprain. Conditions like physical defects, osteoporosis, or arthritis may increase this risk. Treatment precautions are taken to minimize the risk.
<b>Stroke</b>	While strokes can happen from a multitude of factors, strokes from chiropractic adjustments are rare and no greater than the general medical population. Studies estimate the risk at 1:1 million to 1:5 million. ( <i>Journal of the CCA Vol 27, No.2 June, 1993</i> ). Risk is decreased by minimizing neck rotation. That is the protocol we utilize in our clinic.
<b>Burns</b>	Electric therapies generate heat and may cause a burn, resulting in a temporary increase of pain and possible blistering. Our machines are calibrated regularly, and individual patient pads are used.

#### Risks of Acupuncture & Dry Needling Treatment

<b>Drowsiness</b>	May occur after treatment (infrequently). If affected, you are advised not to drive
<b>Minor bleeding Or bruising</b>	May occur after acupuncture (~3% of patients) or during cosmetic procedures
<b>Pain</b>	During treatment may occur (~1% of patients)
<b>Increased Symptoms</b>	Worsening after treatment (< 3% of patients). You should tell your doctor about this, but it is usually a good sign that acupuncture will be beneficial
<b>Fainting</b>	Can occur in certain patients, particularly at the first treatment.
<b>Pneumothorax</b>	This may occur when treating points over the lung.
<b>Infection</b>	Rare. We use pre-sterilized, one-time-use, disposable needles to reduce this risk

#### Alternative Treatments Options & Risks

<b>Non-treatment</b>	Neglecting care can increase pain, accelerate degeneration, cause nerve damage, increase inflammation, and worsen pathology. This may complicate treatment, making it more difficult and less effective the longer it is postponed.
<b>Rest or Exercise</b>	Simple rest is not likely to reverse pathology, although it may temporarily reduce inflammation and pain. The same is true of ice, heat, or other home therapy. Prolonged bed-rest contributes to weakened bones and joint stiffness. Exercises alone are of limited value, but do not correct injured nerve and joint tissues.
<b>Medications</b>	Can reduce pain or inflammation. Long-term use/overuse of drugs may mask pathology, produce inadequate or short-term relief, undesirable side-effects, physical or psychological dependence, and may have to be continued indefinitely. Some medications may involve serious risks.
<b>Surgery</b>	May be necessary for joint stability or serious disk rupture. Risks include pain, unsuccessful outcome, reaction to anesthesia, prolonged recovery, serious complications or death.

### Treatment Results

I realize that the practice of medicine, including chiropractic, is not an exact science. I acknowledge that no guarantee has been made to me regarding the outcome of these procedures. I agree to the performance of these procedures by my doctor and such other persons of the doctor's choosing.

**I have read, or have had read to me, the above consent. I have also had an opportunity to ask questions about its content, and by signing below I agree to the above-named procedures. I intend this consent form to apply to all my present and future treatments at this clinic.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Patient

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Staff Initials