

UMASS MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER

TREATMENT AND PROCEDURE
CONSENT FORM

NAME:

ADDRESS:

BIRTHDATE/AGE:

SEX:

MEDICAL RECORD NUMBER:

PRINT CLEARLY IN INK OR IMPRINT WITH PATIENT'S CARD

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Treatment or Procedure (1): _____

Date Procedure will be performed: _____

Attending Physician Directing Treatment Plan or Procedure (2): _____

Provider Performing the Procedure (if different from Attending Physician): _____

Signature of Provider Performing the Procedure: _____

I have explained to the patient/the patient's authorized representative (3):

1. his/her condition
2. the proposed treatment or procedure and its indications
3. the expected results, my inability always to predict results with certainty, and the possibility of an unexpected complication
4. the anticipated benefits and material risks of the treatment/procedure
5. the possible alternatives, including no treatment/procedure
6. if applicable, that photographs or videotapes may be taken for medical/educational purposes (and every attempt will be made to respect patient confidentiality).
7. if applicable, that UMMMC staff members may use and/or discard whatever materials or tissues are removed from his/her body during this procedure. If they are used for research or educational purposes, the patient's anonymity will be maintained. (See Policy on Disposition of Fetal Remains for instructions regarding products of conception)

Information Provided and Discussed: (4)

If applicable, reference or attach informational materials that document risks, benefits and alternatives. Document any deviation from the standard or recommended procedure protocol, modification of the terms of informed consent printed in this form and patient's comments or restrictions, if any.

(5) _____
Date/time of Signature

(6) _____
Signature of Health Care Provider Providing Information to Patient

I understand and acknowledge that the UMass Memorial Medical Center is an educational institution and that medical and other students may participate in procedures as part of their education unless I refuse to permit their participation. I understand that resident physicians may participate in my care under the general supervision of the responsible provider. I also understand that providers such as Residents, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants may perform procedures (and perform significant tasks related to surgery) in accordance with their level of competence, approved scopes of practice and their delineation of privileges. I consent and authorize UMMMC to own, retain, preserve, analyze or dispose of any excess tissues, specimens, or parts of organs that are removed from my body during the procedures described above as long as they are not necessary for my diagnosis or treatment. UMMMC may use or retransfer these items to any entity for any lawful purpose, including education and retrospective research on anonymous specimens. I understand that my procedure may be observed, recorded or videotaped for medical education or consultation purposes. Efforts will be made to protect my confidentiality and privacy during any recording, videotaping process, or distribution of tissues. I understand I have the right to refuse such observation, recording, videotaping or use of tissues. My decision will not influence the choice of operation/procedure or the way in which it is performed. I understand that the quality of care I receive at this hospital will not be affected in any way if I decide not to participate.

I have had an opportunity to ask questions and I consent to the treatment/procedure.

(7) _____
Signature of Person _____ Date/Time _____
Witnessing Patient's Signature

(3) _____
Signature of Patient _____ Date/Time _____
or Authorized Representative

If Authorized Representative, print name and relationship to patient: _____

If interpreter utilized, Name of Interpreter: _____

If consent is obtained by telephone:

Signature of Witness

Printed Name of Witness

Date

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETING CONSENT FORM

Please refer to the UMMC Policy and Procedure for a detailed discussion of the Informed Consent process.

DEFINITION OF INFORMED CONSENT

Informed consent involves a process of effective communication and Disclosure during which the physician, or other health care provider assisting the physician, must provide to patients (or their authorized representatives) information they require in order to make knowledgeable decisions about the proposed treatment. The physician's explanation of the proposed treatment should include:

- The nature of the patient's condition
- The proposed treatment and possible alternatives, including the alternative of no treatment
- The benefits of the proposed treatment and its alternatives
- The nature and probability of risks of the proposed treatment and its alternatives, including the alternative of no treatment and
- The inability of the physician to guarantee results, and the irreversibility of the procedure, when applicable.

HOW TO COMPLETE THIS FORM

1. Procedures Requiring Consent

Written informed consent must be obtained every time a procedure is performed unless the procedure consists of a course of continuous and ongoing regularly scheduled treatments (e.g. chemotherapy, phototherapy, hemodialysis). In such cases (as long as there is no change in the nature of recommended therapy or other change in circumstances), informed consent need only be obtained once at the outset of the course of treatment. Certain medical/surgical interventions may require procedures by two or more independent specialists (e.g. radiographic localization for breast biopsy followed by breast biopsy). Since each component procedure carries its own risks, a separate informed consent form should be completed for each procedure. Routine procedures (e.g. IM injections, routine blood tests) are covered by the general consent process that occurs when patients are admitted to our inpatient or emergency departments.

2. Attending Physician Directing Treatment Plan or Procedure/ Provider Performing Procedure

Enter the name of the Attending Physician directing the treatment plan or procedure here. This Physician is legally responsible for ensuring that an informed consent process has occurred. Additional health care providers may assist the Physician in providing disclosure to patients and obtaining their written consent.

Provider Performing the Procedure: Enter the name of the practitioner who is performing the procedure. If the procedure is being performed by a resident, Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant without the direct supervision of the Attending Physician (in accordance with approved scopes of practice and delineation of privileges), then the name of the resident, NP or PA should be entered here. The Provider performing the procedure should then sign the form. Many times, the Attending Physician directing the Treatment Plan or Procedure will be the same as the Physician Performing the Procedure.

3. Authorized Representative: (if patient lacks capacity)

1. Guardian
2. Health Care Agent
3. Legal next-of-kin in the following order:
 - a. spouse
 - b. children of legal age
 - c. parent(s)
 - d. sibling(s) of legal age
 - e. grandparent(s)
 - f. aunt, uncle or first cousin (of legal age)

If the patient is competent but physically unable to sign the consent form, another individual may sign the patient's name at the patient's direction, followed by the initials of the individual signing. In this situation, the individual signing is not acting in the capacity of Authorized Representative.

4. Information Provided and Discussed

The Provider may document the material risks, benefits and alternatives discussed or reference/attach informational material. Any deviation from the standard or recommended procedure protocol, or modification of the terms of informed consent printed in this form should also be described in this section. Patient's comments or restrictions may also be documented in this section.

5. Date of Disclosure/Renewal of Consent

If the procedure is delayed by or repeated after 60 days beyond the signing of the informed consent form, the patient should be offered the opportunity to ask any additional questions about the procedure. However, if the procedure consists of a course of continuous and ongoing regularly scheduled treatments that extends beyond 60 days, review of consent is not necessary unless the circumstances change during the course of treatment. Record the date of any additional discussion here _____. If circumstances change such that the risks and benefits of the proposed treatment are different or if the nature of recommended therapy has changed, a new informed consent form should be completed in order to document the nature of the changes.

6. Signature of Health Care Provider Providing Information to Patient

Although it is desirable that the disclosure be provided by the Attending Physician Directing the Treatment Plan or Procedure, there are circumstances in which this is not practicable. In such cases, another health care provider (specifically a Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant, Radiologic Technologists or Resident) may provide disclosure on behalf of the Attending Physician.

7. Person Witnessing Patient Signature

Any person at the direction of the Physician or UMMC may witness the patient's signature and sign this section accordingly. Except for emergency situations, signatures should be obtained and this section should be completed before the procedure is performed.

Note: For unemancipated adolescent patients between the ages of 14 and 18, it may be useful that a signature indicating the patient's assent to the procedure be recorded on this section of the form.

PROCEDURES REQUIRING INFORMED CONSENT

As a general guideline, physicians should seek written informed consent for procedures meeting one or more of the following conditions:

1. it is invasive
2. it carries a material risk of complications, including morbidity and mortality
3. it is investigational*
4. it has a significant chance of a result differing from that desired by the patient and/or physician
5. it raises serious issues of patient confidentiality

All surgical procedures (whether performed in the Operating Room, Day Surgery Unit, ICU, Outpatient Department or Emergency Department) and the administration of general or regional anesthesia require written informed consent. Examples of the other procedures where written informed consent would be appropriate include:

angiography	cystoscopy	fistulogram	percutaneous needle or catheter
angioplasty	cystourethrography	genetic testing **	placement under radiologic
arterial cannulation	dialysis, arterial and peritoneal	HIV testing **	guidance, any site
arteriovenous hemofiltration	discography	hysterosalpingography	pericardiocentesis
arthrocentesis	electrodissection and curettage	intrathecal administration of	phototherapy
joint injection	cutaneous	medicinal or diagnostic agents	pneumoencephalography
joint aspiration	electrophysiologic studies (EPS),	labor and delivery (normal)	radiation therapy
arthrography	automatic cardiac defibrillator	laryngography	sialography
biopsy: any tissue, any site	implantation myocardial	laryngoscopy (direct)	sodium amylal interview
blood & blood component transfusion	catheter ablation	lateral cervical procedure	subdural puncture
bronchoscopy	electroconvulsive therapy (ECT)	lumbar puncture	Swan-Ganz/right heart
cardiac catheterization/coronary	endoscopy	lymphangiography	catheterization
angioplasty	gastrointestinal sphincterotomy or	myelography	thoracentesis, intrathoracic
cardioversion, elective	dilatation	newborn intensive care	injection
central venous cannulation	endoscopic treatment for bleeding	nerve block	transtracheal aspiration
chemotherapy, parenteral	colonoscopy	pacemaker implantation, cardiac	T-tube cholangiography
circumcision	sigmoidoscopy	permanent	urodynamics
cisternal tap	epidural injection	transesophageal	venography
collagen injection	esophageal dilation, manometry	transvenous	ventriculoperitoneal (-atrial)
cryotherapy, cutaneous	exercise tolerance (stress) testing	paracentesis/intra-peritoneal	shunt aspiration
		injection	

* Note: Some investigational therapies may require completion of separate informed consent forms as directed by the Human Subjects Committee.

** This form is not utilized for these procedures; there are specific informed consent forms for HIV testing, genetic testing and anesthesia.

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INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

NAME:

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BIRTHDATE:

SEX:

UNIT NUMBER:

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