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Dear Patient,

Thank you for choosing South Texas Arthritis Care Center for addressing your rheumatologic condition.

In order to better serve you, I have enclosed a New Patient History Form for you to fill out. Please fill this form out completely before your scheduled visit, as it may take some time to fill out. As a reminder, please bring the following documents filled out completely on your scheduled appointment (please do not mail):

1. Proof of Insurance
2. Office Policies-Please sign at the bottom and place you initials by each number
3. Patient Demographic Information Form
4. New Patient History Form
5. Authorization to Release Medical Records, signed. This enables us to obtain any records we need from your doctors.
6. Referral note or letter from the doctor who requested a rheumatology consultation, indicating the reason you were referred. If you have an HMO, please read yellow sheet.
7. Any information, such as medical records, lab work, x-rays, CT scan or MRI readings, that will be helpful for me to better evaluate your case.

Please arrive **30 minutes before your scheduled appointment** in order to be processed into our system. If you are not here at the requested time before your appointment, we may have to delay or reschedule your visit.

IMPORTANT:

Please confirm your appointment at least one day before. We will remind you of your appointment 2 days prior to your visit. **If we do not hear from you or cannot reach you, your appointment will be cancelled in order to accommodate other patients who need to be seen.**

Our office hours are: **7:40 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Thursday**
7:30 am to 1:00 pm, Friday

We strive to make your experience at South Texas Arthritis Care Center a pleasurable one. If you have any questions, please feel free to call. I'm looking forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

Emily R. Pineda, MD

«RendPrFName» «RendPrLName»

OFFICE POLICIES



Welcome to South Texas Arthritis Care Center. We appreciate the opportunity to work with you. In order to serve you better, we have implemented the following office policies. Please initial to signify that you have read, understood and will comply with the policies. Thank you.

Please initial by each number:

_____ 1. **PAYMENTS.** All applicable fees, deductibles, coinsurance or copays must be paid at the _____ time of your appointment. We accept cash, checks, Visa, Mastercard or Discover. There will be a will be a \$25.00 charge for all returned checks. Patients who present checks which are dishonored will be required to pay future amounts due with cash, money orders, or credit cards.

_____ 2. **CANCELLATIONS.** If you need to cancel and reschedule your appointment, please be sure to call us at least 24 hours before your scheduled appointment. You will be charged for the visit for late cancellations or missed appointments, unless you had an emergency.

_____ 3. **HMO & PPO REFERRALS.** If your policy requires written authorization (referrals or precertification) from your primary care physician or PCP, we required that we have is authorization on file in our office before your scheduled appointment. It is your responsibility to make sure that your visit is pre-approved so that your insurance company will pay for your visit. Otherwise you will be responsible for the payment in full.

_____ 4. **OFFICE COURTESY.** Please do not bring any food or drinks into the clinic. Childcare is not provided for children. Please do not leave children unattended in the reception area.

_____ 5. **MEDICATION REFILL REQUEST.** We will only approve a medication refill request after business hours or on weekends if it is a true emergency; and there will be a charge for this service. Therefore, it is important for you to have your doctor write your prescriptions at the time of your visit.

_____ 6. **LAB TEST RESULTS.** Because of telephone limitations, we ask that you not call us to check on lab results. We will call you to report any significantly abnormal results.

_____ 7. **ANSWERING SERVICE.** A 24-hour answering service is available for emergency situations by calling our main number the 210 615-9800.

“I, the guarantor of payment and responsible party, agree to the above policies and agree to the terms regarding payment and payment responsibilities.”

Signature of Patient: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES WRITTEN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

I, _____, have read the **South Texas Arthritis Care Center's** Notice of Privacy Practices.
(Print Name)

Signature of Patient: _____ Date: _____

PATIENT DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Title: _____ Name: _____ (First) (M.I.) (Last) _____ Suffix: _____

SS#: _____ - _____ - _____ DOB: _____ Age: _____

Address _____		
(No.) _____	(Street) _____	(Apt #) _____

(City) _____	(State) _____	(Zip code) _____

Gender: _____
 Marital Status
 Single Married
 Divorced Separated

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Emergency contact: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Primary Care Physician (PCP): _____ Referring Physician: _____

Address of PCP: _____ Phone no. of PCP: _____

INSURANCE INFORMATION
 (Please list all insurances)

PRIMARY INSURANCE: _____ Phone no _____
 Policy# _____ Grp# _____ Subscriber ID# _____ Effective Date _____
 Policy Holder's Name _____ DOB _____
 Insured Party SS# _____ Patient Relationship to Policy Holder _____
 Plan Type: HMO PPO Medicare Medicaid Other _____
 Referral required: Yes No Co-payment _____ Deductible _____
 Requirements for referrals & other services _____

SECONDARY INSURANCE: _____ Phone no _____
 Policy# _____ Grp# _____ Subscriber ID# _____ Effective Date _____
 Policy Holder's Name _____ DOB _____
 Insured Party SS# _____ Patient Relationship to Policy Holder _____
 Plan Type: HMO PPO Medicare Medicaid Other _____
 Referral required: Yes No Co-payment _____ Deductible _____
 Requirements for referrals & other services _____

TERTIARY INSURANCE: _____ Phone no _____
 Policy# _____ Grp# _____ Subscriber ID# _____ Effective Date _____
 Policy Holder's Name _____ DOB _____
 Insured Party SS# _____ Patient Relationship to Policy Holder _____
 Plan Type: HMO PPO Medicare Medicaid Other _____
 Referral required: Yes No Co-payment _____ Deductible _____
 Requirements for referrals & other services _____

By signing this statement, I hereby authorize the release of my medical information to my insurance carriers if requested. I also authorize my insurance companies to pay medical benefits to South Texas Arthritis Care Center for medical services rendered.

Signature of Patient or Responsible Party _____ **Date** _____

Patient HMO Referral Notice

It is the patient's responsibility to contact their primary care physician (**PCP**) to request a referral to be generated for services to be rendered at South Texas Arthritis Care Center.

You can either bring the referral with you or have your **PCP** fax the referral prior to her appointment date to 201-615-9801. If we do not have the referral on the day of her appointment, we will have to reschedule your appointment.

Thank you.

NEW PATIENT HISTORY FORM



Name: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Street Apt. # Sex: F M Birthplace: _____

City State Zip Phone: Home: _____ - _____ - _____
Work: _____ - _____ - _____
Email address: _____ Pharmacy#: _____ - _____ - _____ Cell: _____ - _____ - _____

Referred here by: (check one): Self Family Friend Doctor Other Health Professional

Name of person making referral: _____

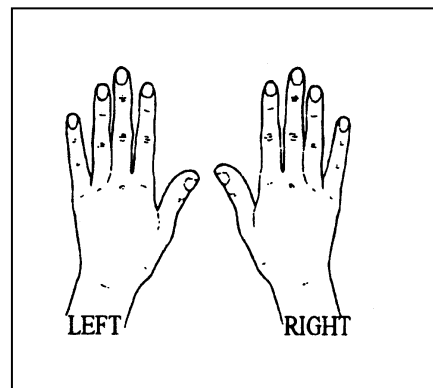
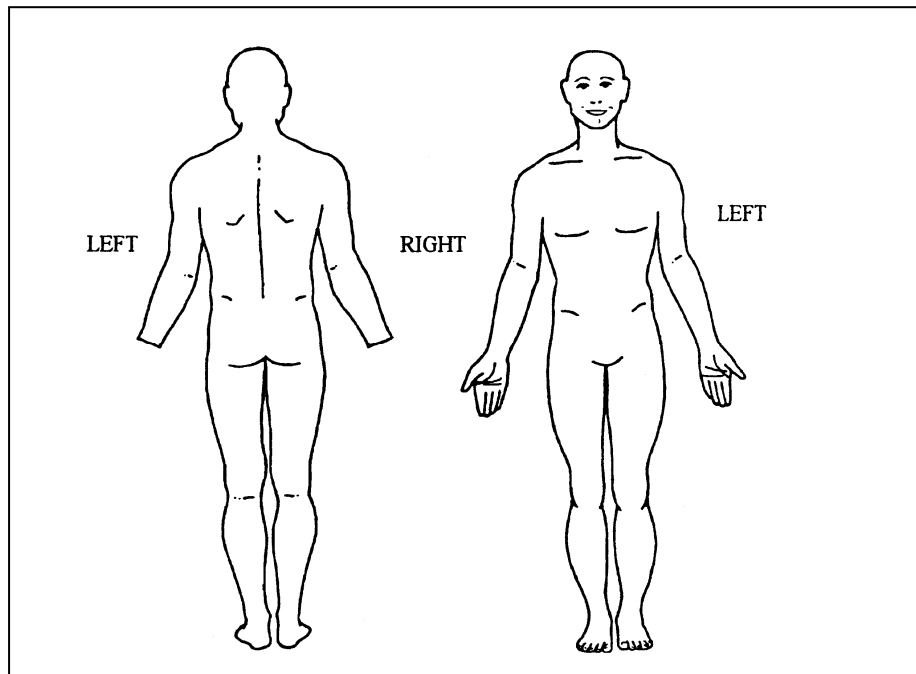
Name of physician providing your primary medical care(PCP): _____

Address of Primary care provider (PCP): _____ Phone of PCP: _____

Other Physicians you are seeing and their Specialties: _____

Reason you were referred: _____

Please shade all the locations of your pain over the past week:



PATIENT: _____, DATE OF BIRTH: _____ APPOINTMENT DATE: _____
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What joint or muscle group causes the most pain? _____

Describe quality of pain (e.g. aching, burning, sharp, dull): _____

How long has your pain been present? _____

Does the pain occur on and off or continuously? _____

Time of day your pain is worse? Morning End of day

Is your symptom associated with joint stiffness in the morning? Yes No. How long? _____ minutes _____ hours

What makes you pain worse? _____

What relieves/improves your pain? _____

What worsens your pain? Mild Activity Inactivity Overactivity Rest Work.

If your work makes your pain worse, what type of work do you do? _____

What type of activity at work makes your pain worse? _____

Previous treatment for this problem (include physical therapy, specific surgery, injections and names of medication tried)

and mention if it helped or not: _____

Please list practitioners/doctors you have seen for this problem: _____

If there is anything else you would like to add regarding the problem you came to our office today, please write below:

PATIENT: _____, DATE OF BIRTH: _____ APPOINTMENT DATE: _____

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SYSTEMS REVIEW

As you review the following list, please check any of those problems, which have significantly affected you.

Date of last Tuberculosis Test _____ Date of last bone densitometry _____ Date of last chest x-ray _____

Are you receiving disability? Yes No Are you applying for disability? Yes No

Do you have a medical related lawsuit pending? Yes No

Constitutional

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

Eyes

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

Ears–Nose–Mouth–Throat

- Ringing in ears
- Loss of hearing
- Nosebleeds
- Loss of smell
- Dryness in nose
- Runny nose
- Sore tongue
- Bleeding gums
- Sores in mouth
- Loss of taste
- Dryness of mouth
- Frequent sore throats
- Hoarseness
- Difficulty in swallowing

Cardiovascular

- Pain in chest
- Irregular heart beat
- Sudden changes in heart beat
- High blood pressure
- Heart murmurs

Respiratory

- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty in breathing at night
- Swollen legs or feet
- Cough
- Coughing of blood
- Wheezing (asthma)

Gastrointestinal

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

Genitourinary

- Difficult urination
- Pain or burning on urination
- Blood in urine
- Cloudy, “smoky” urine
- Pus in urine
- Discharge from penis/vagina
- Getting up at night to pass urine
- Vaginal dryness
- Rash/ulcers
- Sexual difficulties
- Prostate trouble

For Women Only:

Age when periods began: _____
 Periods regular? Yes No
 How many days apart? _____
 Date of last period? ____ / ____ / ____
 Date of last pap? ____ / ____ / ____
 Bleeding after menopause? Yes No
 Number of pregnancies? _____
 Number of miscarriages? _____

Musculoskeletal

- Joint pain
 - Muscle weakness
 - Muscle tenderness
 - Joint swelling
- List joints affected in the last 6 mos.

Integumentary (skin and/or breast)

- Easy bruising
- Redness
- Rash
- Hives
- Sun sensitive (sun allergy)
- Tightness
- Nodules/bumps
- Hair loss
- Color changes of hands or feet in the cold

Neurological System

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

Psychiatric

- Excessive worries
- Anxiety
- Easily losing temper
- Depression
- Agitation
- Difficulty falling asleep
- Difficulty staying asleep

Endocrine

- Excessive thirst

Hematologic/Lymphatic

- Swollen glands
- Tender glands
- Anemia
- Bleeding tendency
- Blood clot
- Transfusion/when _____

Allergic/Immunologic

- Frequent sneezing
- Increased susceptibility to infection

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY

Do you now or ever had: (check if yes)

- Cancer, type: Heart problems Asthma
- Goiter Leukemia Stroke
- Cataracts Diabetes Epilepsy
- Nervous breakdown Stomach ulcers Rheumatic fever
- Migraine headaches Jaundice Bowel Inflammation
- Kidney disease Pneumonia Psoriasis
- ↑Blood Pressure HIV/AIDS Anemia
- Emphysema Glaucoma Tuberculosis
- Reflux (GERD) Arthritis-type unknown Hypothyroidism
- Fibromyalgia Rheumatoid arthritis Lupus
- Osteoarthritis Gout Osteoporosis
- Cholesterol problem Depression

Other medical problems: _____



SOCIAL HISTORY

Do you smoke? No. Never
 Past.. How long ago? _____
 Yes. Packs per day: _____

Do you drink alcohol? Yes No. # per week _____
 Has anyone ever told you to cut back on alcohol? _____

Do you use drugs for non-medical reasons? _____
 If yes, please list: _____

Do you exercise regularly? _____ Type _____

Marital Status: Never Married Married Divorced
 Separated Widowed

of pregnancies: _____ # of children _____

of miscarriages: _____ At what month of pregnancy? _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

If retired, Former Occupation: _____

Spouse's occupation: _____

Previous Operations

Type	Year	Reason
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		

Any previous fractures? No Yes Describe: _____

Any other serious injuries? No Yes Describe: _____

PRESENT MEDICATIONS (List any medications you are taking. Include such items as aspirin, vitamins, laxatives, calcium and other supplements, etc.)

Name of Drug	Dose (include strength & number of pills per day)	How long have you taken this medication	Please check: Helped?		
			A Lot	Some	Not At All
1.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ALLERGIES to medication: _____
 What was your reaction? _____

FAMILY HISTORY

	IF LIVING		IF DECEASED	
	Age	Health	Age at Death	Cause
Father				
Mother				

Health of children: _____

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

- | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart disease _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatic fever _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuberculosis _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leukemia _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> High blood pressure _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Epilepsy _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding tendency _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Goiter _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colitis _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcoholism _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Psoriasis _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Underactive thyroid _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis(unknown type) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Osteoarthritis _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Lupus _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatoid arthritis _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Gout _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Ankylosing Spondylitis _____ |

Other significant Family History (please list) _____

PAST MEDICATIONS Please review this list of “arthritis” medications. As accurately as possible, try to remember which medications you have taken, **how long** you were taking the medication, the **results** of taking the medication and list any **reactions** you may have had. Record your comments in the spaces provided.

Drug names/Dosage	Length of time	Please check: Helped?			Reactions
		A	Lot	Not At All	
Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs-NSAIDs		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<p>Circle any you have taken in the past</p> <p> Ansaid (flurbiprofen) Arthrotec (diclofenac + misoprostil) Aspirin (including coated aspirin) Celebrex (celecoxib) Clinoril (sulindac) Daypro (oxaprozin) Disalcid (salsalate) Dolobid (diflunisal) Feldene (piroxicam) Indocin (indomethacin) Lodine (etodolac) Meclomen (meclofenamate) Motrin/Rufen (ibuprofen) Nalfon (fenoprofen) Naprosyn (naproxen) Oruvail (ketoprofen) Tolectin (tolmetin) Trilisate (choline magnesium trisalicylate) Vioxx (rofecoxib) Voltaren (diclofenac) </p>					
Pain Relievers					
Acetaminophen (Tylenol)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Codeine (Vicodin, Tylenol 3)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Propoxyphene (Darvon/Darvocet)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other:		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other:		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Disease Modifying Antirheumatic Drugs (DMARDS)					
Auranofin, gold pills (Ridaura)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Gold shots (Myochrysine or Solganol)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Hydroxychloroquine (Plaquenil)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Penicillamine (Cuprimine or Depen)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Methotrexate (Rheumatrex)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Azathioprine (Imuran)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sulfasalazine (Azulfidine)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Quinacrine (Atabrine)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Cyclophosphamide (Cytoxan)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

PAST MEDICATIONS (continued)



Disease Modifying Antirheumatic Drugs (DMARDs)

Leflunamide (Arava)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mycophenolate mofetil (Cellcept)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Etanercept (Enbrel)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Infliximab (Remicade)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adalimumab (Humira)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rituximab (Rituxan)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Abetacept (Orencia)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Osteoporosis Medications

Estrogen (Premarin, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alendronate (Fosamax)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Etidronate (Didronel)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raloxifene (Evista)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Risedronate (Actonel)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Calcitonin injection or nasal (Miacalcin, Calcimar)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ibandronate (Boniva)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parathyroid hormone (Forteo)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Gout Medications

Probenecid (Benemid)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Colchicine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allopurinol (Zyloprim/Lopurin)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Others

Tamoxifen (Nolvadex)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tiludronate (Skelid)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cortisone/Prednisone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hyalgan/Synvisc/Supartz/Euflexxa injections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Herbal or Nutritional Supplements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please list supplements:

Have you participated in any clinical trials for new medications? Yes No

If yes, list:

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HEALTH ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

PLEASE ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS WITHIN A WEEK OR ON THE DAY OF YOUR VISIT. This questionnaire is designed to help us assess how your illness affects your ability to function in daily life. Thank you.

1. How much pain have you had because of your condition OVER THE PAST WEEK? NO AS PAIN 0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.0 7.5 8.0 8.5 9.0 9.5 10 BAD AS CAN BE

2. Considering all the ways in which illness and health conditions may affect you at this time, please indicate below how you are doing: VERY WELL POORLY 0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.0 7.5 8.0 8.5 9.0 9.5 10 VERY

3. How much of a problem has unusual fatigue or tiredness been for you OVER THE PAST WEEK? NO FATIGUE FATIGUE 0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.0 7.5 8.0 8.5 9.0 9.5 10 MAJOR PROBLEM

4. Please check (✓) the ONE best answer for your abilities at this time (MD-HAQ):

Table with 5 columns: Question, Without ANY Difficulty, With SOME Difficulty, With MUCH Difficulty, UNABLE To Do. Rows include activities like dressing, getting in/out of bed, walking, etc.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY. 1. PAIN (0-10) [] 2. PTGL (0-10) [] 3. FTG (0-10) [] 4. MD-HAQ: a-j (0-10) [] 5. PSY: k-j (0-9.9) []

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