

**UNITY HEALTHCARE, LLC**  
**DISCLOSURE AND RELEASE AUTHORIZATION**

**CONSENT TO TREAT:** I request and give consent to my Unity Healthcare, LLC ("Unity") healthcare professional to provide and perform such medical/surgical care, therapy, tests, procedures, drugs and other services and supplies as my healthcare professional, in their professional judgment, deems necessary or beneficial. I acknowledge that no representations, warranties or guarantees as to the results or cures have been made to me or relied upon by me.

**NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES:** I acknowledge that I have been offered a copy of the Unity Notice of Privacy Practices and understand that my protected health information ("PHI") may be used by Unity as described in such Notice.

**OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE:** I acknowledge that Unity and indirectly, Unity's physicians, have an ownership interest in Unity Surgical Center ("USC"), and InnerVision Advanced Medical Imaging Center ("InnerVision"). I understand that I am free to determine which facility to utilize for health care services, and neither Unity nor my physician shall discriminate in the care provided to me should I desire to use a facility other than USC and InnerVision.

**RELEASE OF MEDICAL INFO AND AUTHORIZATION TO PAY INSURANCE BENEFITS:** I authorize Unity and my healthcare professional to release information from my medical records to my insurance carrier(s), governmental agency, or my employer in the case of work-related injuries or services for the purpose of processing claims for medical/workers compensation benefits and state on such claims that my signature is on file. I request that my insurance company(s) honor my assignment of insurance benefits applicable to the services and pay all assigned insurance benefits directly to my healthcare professional on my behalf.

**FINANCIAL AGREEMENT:** I understand and agree to all the following:

- a. All accounts are the full responsibility of the patient and/or the patient's responsible party guarantor.
- b. No conditional payments accepted, and payments with attempted conditions will be applied to any amounts owed.
- c. Unity will assist me in obtaining insurance benefits when those benefits are assigned to my/the patient's healthcare professional. I have provided complete information regarding my/the patient's primary and secondary health insurance, as applicable.
- d. I am responsible for making sure insurance payments are processed and paid promptly to my healthcare professional. In addition, I must provide my prompt payment of any amount owed to Unity that is deemed "Patient Responsibility" under my insurance contract (for those payors with which Unity is a participating healthcare professional or "in-network"). Otherwise, it is my responsibility if my insurance does not cover such services or Unity is a non-participating healthcare professional or "out-of-network".
- e. In the case of default payment, I promise to pay any legal interest on the balance due, together with any collection costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred to effect collection of this account or future outstanding accounts. I agree that reasonable attorney fees shall be interpreted as 40% of any balance due at the time the account is sent to an attorney or collection agency for collection, or \$300.00, whichever is greater.
- f. Tippecanoe County, Indiana, shall be the preferred venue for any legal action related to this financial agreement, and I agree to waive my right to a trial by jury.
- g. This financial agreement is being entered into individually and as an authorized agent for my spouse, if any. This financial agreement may be assigned by Unity to an attorney who purchases Unity's delinquent accounts, and the terms of this agreement shall remain binding.
- h. A fee may be charged for any appointments not cancelled at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance or missed for any other reason. These are generally not payable by insurance. I am responsible for these fees.
- i. Unity Immediate Care (UICC) is not a participating provider with or under the Indiana Medicaid program. As a result, any medical or related services provided by the UICC will not be covered or paid by the Medicaid program.

**OTHER PROVIDERS:** I understand that in addition to the attending physician, other healthcare professionals, such as radiologists and pathologists, and other providers, such as laboratories and other medical professionals, may be involved in my care and may separately bill me for their services.

**INDIANA LAW AND JURISDICTION:** I understand that I am being provided treatment in the State of Indiana, and I agree that if I should have any claim with regard to my care or treatment, such will be decided in accordance with Indiana law and such action will be brought and decided in a Court in the State of Indiana.

**NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION:** Unity complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex or gender identity.

**MEDICARE CERTIFICATION: (IF APPLICABLE)** I certify that the information given by me, or by Unity on my behalf, in applying for payment under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act is correct. I authorize my treating healthcare professional to release information from my medical record to the Social Security Administration and/or Medicare program or its intermediaries or carriers, or the Professional Standards Review Organizations for the purpose of the processing of claims for medical benefits and state on such claims that my signature is on file. I request that payment of such authorized benefits be made directly to Unity or my treating physician on my behalf.

Please read and initial each of the following statements before signing this form. By initialing you indicate that you have read, understand and agree to each.

\_\_\_\_\_ **AUTOMATED CONTACT:** I authorize Unity and its affiliates and agents to use automated messages to contact me at the e-mail and phone numbers I have provided. These messages will provide information to me, such as *appointment information, closure messages, health services, or account information*. These may come in the form of a text message, automated call (whether a cell phone or a land line), or email and will be left at the number or e-mail provided to any Unity healthcare professional. If I receive treatment from multiple Unity healthcare professionals, I may receive multiple messages referencing appointments/services from each office. I understand that I have the right to opt-out of any of these contact methods at any time, either by an opt-out within the message or by speaking to a Unity representative. Any opt-out request to a Unity healthcare professional will remove that contact method from ALL Unity Healthcare, LLC healthcare professionals. I understand I can later request to opt back into automated messages by speaking to a Unity representative.

\_\_\_\_\_ **PHOTO CONSENT:** My healthcare professional may request photos. I consent to have my photographs taken by my healthcare professional or designated associate **if required** and permit use of photographs for identification, medical records, education, and lectures.

My signature below constitutes my acknowledgement and agreement that I have read and understand the consent, notices, disclosure and other information provided.

Patient/Parent/Guardian

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