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I, the undersigned, authorize The MetroHealth System to release health information as indicated above. I understand and acknowledge that the requested health information could contain information regarding physical and mental illness, HIV test results or diagnosis, treatment of AIDS/AIDS-related conditions, and/or alcohol/drug abuse.

**This authorization and consent will expire one year from the date of authorization written below**, unless revoked by me (or my legal representative) through written notice presented to Health Information Management (see contact information below). Any revocation will not apply to information that has already been released in response to this authorization. I understand that treatment, payment, enrollment, or eligibility for benefits will not be based on whether I sign this authorization.

After my health information is released, my information may be re-disclosed by the recipient and may no longer be protected by law. The recipient of my health information may be charged for the service of releasing medical information as per Ohio Revised Code 3701.741 and federal law as applicable. There is no charge to send records directly to my health care provider for continuing care purposes.

**If Authorization is not complete, signed and dated, it may be returned and result in my information not being released until completed.**

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Signature of Patient/Patient's Personal Representative\*\* Printed Name Date Signed

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Relationship, if not Patient

**\*\*If other than the patient's signature, a copy of legal paperwork verifying the patient's personal representative *MUST* accompany the request (e.g., court appointed guardian, durable power of attorney for health care). Exception: parent signing for a patient under the age of eighteen.**

**\*\*For a deceased patient, a court entry or order appointing a fiduciary, executor, or administrator, or letters of appointment received from Probate Court must accompany an authorization signed by the named individual. If the estate has not been probated, a death certificate is required to be submitted with the documents naming the administrator or executor of the estate.**

**\*\*For substance use disorder treatment records that are protected by part 2, MetroHealth provides this statement with each disclosure made with your consent:**

#### **NOTICE FOR DISCLOSURES PURSUANT TO PART 2 CONSENT.**

This record which has been disclosed to you is protected by Federal confidentiality rules (42 CFR part 2). These rules prohibit you from using or disclosing this record, or testimony that describes the information contained in this record, in any civil, criminal, administrative, or legislative proceedings by any Federal, State, or local authority, against the patient, unless authorized by the consent of the patient, except as provided at 42 CFR 2.12(c)(5) or as authorized by a court in accordance with 42 CFR 2.64 or 2.65. In addition, the Federal rules prohibit you from making any other use or disclosure of this record unless at least one of the following applies:

- (i) Further use or disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent of the individual whose information is being disclosed in this record or as otherwise permitted by 42 CFR part 2.
- (ii) You are a covered entity or business associate and have received the record for treatment, payment, or health care operations, or
- (iii) You have received the record from a covered entity or business associate as permitted by 45 CFR part 164, subparts A and E.

A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient to meet the required elements of written consent to further use or redisclose the record (see 42 CFR 2.31). "42 CFR part 2 prohibits unauthorized disclosure of these records." This consent is subject to revocation at any time except to the extent that the part 2 program or other lawful holder of patient identifying information that is permitted to make the disclosure has already acted in reliance on it.

#### **Submit completed authorization to the following:**

1. The MetroHealth System  
Health Information Management Department – G-108  
2500 MetroHealth Dr.  
Cleveland, Ohio 44109
2. Email: [ReleaseofInformation@metrohealth.org](mailto:ReleaseofInformation@metrohealth.org)
3. Fax: (216) 778-2413 or (216)-957-0431
4. Additional Authorization Forms and Ohio fee schedule for medical record copies can be found at:  
<https://www.metrohealth.org/requesting-copies-of-medical-records> or call Release of Information (216) 778-4252