

BLUE BENEFIT ADMINISTRATORS OF MASSACHUSETTS

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

SECTION A: The Individual (or the Individual's Personal Representative) confirming the authorization.

I authorize the use and/or disclosure of my protected health information as described in Section C below. I understand this authorization is voluntary and made to confirm my direction.

I understand that, if the persons or organizations I authorize in Section C below to receive and/or use the protected health information described below are not health plans, covered health care providers or health care clearinghouses subject to federal health information privacy laws, they may further disclose my protected health information and it may no longer be protected by federal health information privacy laws.

Member/Patient Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Participant ID Number: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____

SECTION B: Psychotherapy Notes.

Check if this authorization is for psychotherapy notes. Psychotherapy notes are notes recorded, in any medium, by a health care provider who is a mental health professional documenting or analyzing the contents of conversation during a private counseling session or a group, joint, or family counseling session and that are separated from the rest of the individual's medical record.

IF THIS AUTHORIZATION IS FOR PSYCHOTHERAPY NOTES, YOU MUST NOT USE IT AS AN AUTHORIZATION FOR ANY OTHER TYPE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION.

SECTION C: The use and/or disclosure being authorized.

Protected Health Information to Be Use and/or Disclosed (if this authorization is for psychotherapy notes (see Section B), no other type of protected health information may be listed on this authorization):

Information related to:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General health care (excluding the items listed below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health/Psychiatric Disorders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol and/or Chemical Dependency | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please be specific. You may designate by date of service, name of provider, a specific diagnosis, etc.): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reproductive Health (including abortion, pregnancy, contraception, and fertility treatments) | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sexually Transmitted Diseases (including HIV/AIDS) | _____ |

Entities Authorized to Use or Disclose: Name or specifically identify the persons and/or organizations (or the classes of persons and/or organizations), including BLUE Benefit Administrators of Massachusetts, who you are authorizing to make use of and/or to disclose the protected health information described above (you may want to list others that might need to be authorized such as RESTAT etc.):

Entities Authorized to Receive and Use Protected Health Information: Name or specifically describe the persons and/or organizations (or the classes of persons and/or organizations) to whom you are authorizing our Company to disclose and/or let use the protected health information described above. Please provide address and telephone number if known:

Specific Purpose For Release and How Protected Health Information Will Be Used:

SECTION D: Expiration and Revocation.

Expiration: This authorization will expire (complete one):

- On ___/___/_____
- On occurrence of the following event (If related to an event, such event must relate to the individual or to the purpose of the use and/or disclosure being authorized. For example, you might choose to have this authorization terminate when your coverage terminates.):
- _____
- _____

Right to Revoke: I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time by giving written notice of my revocation to: BLUE Benefit Administrators of Massachusetts, Attention: Sandra R. Bertolino, P.O. Box 55917, Boston, MA 02205-5917. I understand that my revocation will be effective when BLUE Benefit Administrators of Massachusetts receives it and that my revocation of this authorization will *not* affect any action BLUE Benefit Administrators of Massachusetts took in reliance on this authorization before receiving my written notice of revocation.

SECTION E: Conditioning.

Payment, treatment, enrollment or eligibility for benefits may not be conditioned on the signing of this authorization unless this authorization is for the purposes of the following:

1. Research-related treatment
2. Determinations relating to underwriting or risk taking prior to enrollment in the health plan
3. Creating protected health information solely for disclosure to a third party

SECTION F: Signature.

I, _____, have had full opportunity to read and consider the contents of this authorization, and I confirm that the contents are consistent with my direction to BLUE Benefit Administrators of Massachusetts. I understand that, by signing this form, I am confirming my authorization that BLUE Benefit Administrators of Massachusetts may use and/or disclose to the persons and/or organizations named in this form the protected health information described in this form.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If this authorization is signed by a personal representative on behalf of the individual, complete the following:

Personal Representative's Name: _____

Relationship to Individual/Authority to act as Personal Representative of Individual: _____

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO A COPY OF THIS AUTHORIZATION AFTER YOU SIGN IT

Return form to:

BLUE Benefit Administrators of Massachusetts
Attention: HIPAA/Privacy Officer
PO Box 55917, Boston, MA 02205-5917
FAX# 877-596-2583