

MVP HEALTH CARE AUTHORIZATION TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION

Protecting your confidentiality is important to MVP Health Care, Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively, "MVP"). If you would like MVP to share your health information with another party, you must first give your permission to do so.

By filling out and signing this form, you give that permission. MVP may then share your health information with the people you have authorized. PLEASE READ THIS FORM CAREFULLY.

There are five (5) Sections on this form.

- SECTION 1- Fill in your Name, MVP Member ID#, and Date of Birth identifying you as the Member.

 This section may also be used if you are giving MVP permission to share health information on a minor for whom you are the parent or legal quardian.
- SECTION 2- Fill in the Name(s), Address(es), and Phone Number(s) of the person(s) you are authorizing MVP to share your health information with.

Be sure to write the contact's full name and address. MVP will only share information if the contact correctly verifies the name and address you have written.

SECTION 3- Select the health information you are authorizing MVP to share.

There are 3 options:

The **first** option gives MVP permission to share all of your health information, except for information involving HIV/AIDS, psychiatric and substance abuse, family planning and pregnancy, or sexually transmitted diseases. You must specifically authorize MVP to share this information with another party.

The **second** option gives MVP permission to share information about HIV/AIDS, psychiatric and substance abuse, family planning and pregnancy, or sexually transmitted diseases and is explained more fully below. **MVP will not share this information if you have not specifically authorized us to do so.** Please read the special notice from the NYS Department of Health on page 2.

The **third** option gives MVP permission to share only the information you specify, such as eligibility information only, information specific to a particular service, or claims information for a specific provider.

SECTION 4- Read and make sure you understand your rights under this authorization.

You may use this section to specify an expiration date on this form, otherwise it will remain in effect indefinitely, or until you request it to be revoked.

SECTION 5- Sign and date the form and print your name underneath your signature.

You can use this form if you are giving MVP permission to share health information on a minor for whom you are the parent or legal guardian. If so, make sure to write in your relationship to that member.

When completed, please mail or fax the completed Authorization to Disclose Information form to the address or fax number on the bottom of the form.

Your Rights Related to the Authorization To Disclose Information

- 1) You may authorize someone to appeal an issue on your behalf (with the exception of Medicare members, additional information is required). By doing so you are exercising your right to appeal and will not be permitted to appeal the same issue yourself.
- 2) MVP shall not condition treatment, payment, enrollment or eligibility for benefits under its insured plans on receipt of this authorization.
- 3) Information disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be disclosed by the recipient and may no longer be protected by federal or state law.
- 4) If information is disclosed from alcohol and drug abuse records protected by Federal confidentiality rules (42 CFR Part 2), these Federal rules prohibit the recipient from making any further disclosure of this information unless further disclosure is expressly permitted by written consent of the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by 42 CFR Part 2.

Your Rights Relating to the Release of Confidential HIV* Related Information

Confidential HIV related information is any information indicating that a person had an HIV related test, or has HIV infection, HIV related illness or AIDS, or any information which could indicate that a person has been potentially exposed to HIV.

Under New York State Law, confidential HIV related information can only be given to people you allow to have it by signing a written release, or to people who need to know your HIV status in order to provide medical care and services, including: medical care providers; persons involved with foster care or adoption; parents and guardians who consent to care of minors; jail, prison, probation and parole employees; emergency response workers and other workers in hospitals, other regulated settings or medical offices, who are exposed to blood/body fluids in the course of their employment; and organizations that review the services you receive. State law also allows your HIV information to be released under limited circumstances: by special court order; to public health officials as required by law; and to insurers as necessary to pay for care and treatment. Under State law, anyone who illegally discloses HIV related information may be punished by a fine of up to \$5,000 and a jail term of up to one year. However, some re-disclosures of such information are not protected under federal law. For more information about HIV confidentiality, call the New York State Department of Health HIV Confidentiality Hotline at **1-800-962-5065**.

By signing and initialing where indicated on page 3 of this form, HIV related information can be given to the people listed on the form, and for the reason(s) you may list on the form. You do not have to sign the form, and you can change your mind at any time by indicating your change in writing.

The law protects you from HIV related discrimination in housing, employment, health care and other services. For more information call the New York State Division of Human Rights Office of AIDS Discrimination Issues at 1 (800) 523-2437 or (212) 480-2493 or the New York City Commission of Human Rights at (212) 306-5070. These agencies are responsible for protecting your rights.

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^{*} Human Immunodeficiency Virus that causes AIDS.



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By completing this form you are allowing MVP to disclose health care information to the individuals you identify.

SECTION 1- IN	DICATE THE MEMBER WHOSE INFORMAT	TION IS TO BE RELEASED:
Name	Member ID#	DOB//
SECTION 2	2- I AUTHORIZE MVP TO DISCLOSE HEAL	TH INFORMATION TO:
(Print the Name(s), Ad	ddress(es) and Telephone Number(s) of the p	erson(s) you would like to appoint)
SECTION	N 3- INDICATE THE HEALTH INFORMATION	N TO BE RELEASED:
All Health Inform	mation (except the health information listed	d below)
	must be specifically indicated for MVP to operson(s) you have appointed:	liscuss these types of health
Mental health inf Drug/alcohol diag Pregnancy, famil	d information and/or records (SEE PAGE 2) formation and/or records gnosis and treatment information ly planning, abortion information tted disease information	
Other (specify th	e information you are authorizing MVP to disc	close)
SECTIO	N 4- READ AND UNDERSTAND YOUR RIG	HTS (SEE PAGE 2):
information, or until rev	II be in force and effect until such time as MV voked by the undersigned in the manner descript)	•
I understand that I have to the address indicate	ve the right to revoke this authorization, at any ed below.	time by sending written notification
The revocation should revocation is to take ef	clearly state your intent to revoke this author ffect.	ization and the date such
	SECTION 5- SIGN AND DATE THIS F	ORM:
		/ /
Signature		Date (DD/MM/YY)
Print Name		Relationship to Member

Rochester & Buffalo Regions, send this form to:

MVP Member Services Department / 220 Alexander Street / Rochester, New York 14607 or fax it toll free to: 1-800-396-1869

All Other Regions, send this form to:

MVP Member Services Department / PO Box 2207 / Schenectady, New York 12301-2207 or fax it toll-free to 1-800-765-3808