

Western Carolina University Health Services
General Consent and Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice of Privacy Practices

Please fill out:

Name: _____

Date of Acknowledgement: _____

(Today's Date)

92#: _____

GENERAL CONSENT FOR TREATMENT/CARE:

I hereby authorize any medical treatment for myself that may be advised or recommended by the health services care providers of WCU. I am aware that the practices of medicine are not an exact science and I understand that no guarantees have been made to me about the results of treatments, examinations, procedures, or analysis.

ASSIGNMENT OF INSURANCE BENEFITS:

I hereby authorize direct payment to WCU Health Services of all health benefits otherwise payable to me by the University Supported Insurance Plan. I understand that I am financially responsible to the university for charges not covered by this assignment. I further understand that the University Health Services does not participate with any other insurance providers other than the University Support Plan and I am fully responsible for charges incurred during my visit.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I attest that this office has given me a copy of its Notice of Privacy Practices to review. The Notice explains how my health information is protected and how it will be handled in various circumstances. I understand that it is the responsibility of this office to provide me with a copy of its Notice on the first service encounter after April 14, 2003. If my first date of service with this office was due to an emergency, I understand that it is the office's responsibility to provide me with this Notice and obtain my signature as acknowledgement of receipt as soon as possible following the emergency.

North Carolina General Statute 122C-54(g); NCGS 122c-55(a), (a2), (d), (e)

“North Carolina law generally requires that we obtain your written consent before we may disclose health information related to your mental health services. There are some exceptions to this general requirement however. We may disclose health information to members of the Health and Counseling Centers workforce to our professional advisory including the university attorney, and to agencies or individuals that oversee our operations or that help us carry out our responsibilities in serving you. We will disclose only the information that is necessary to the provision of services or operations, and the information will be disclosed only to individuals who have a need to know. We also may disclose information to the following people: (1) a health care provider who is providing emergency medical services to you; and (2) to other mental health professionals when necessary to coordinate your care and treatment. If we determine that there is an imminent threat to your health or safety, or the health or safety of someone else, we may disclose information about you to prevent or lessen the threat. We also will release information about you if state or federal law requires us to do so, when a court of law orders us to do so, or to report suspected neglect or abuse of a child or disabled adult.”

I have reviewed WCU's Notice of Privacy/Provider Practices and have been given the chance to express my concerns and ask questions about the privacy of my health information.

Patient/ Legal Representative Signature

If signor is not the patient, state relationship