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Authorization and Release of Information

Authorization to use and disclose protected health information

1. I am completing this form to allow the use and sharing of protected health information about :

Printed name

Date of Birth

2. I authorize this person or organization : _____Linda Sadoff, LCSW_____

3a. To use or disclose the-following information:

- Inpatient or outpatient treatment records for physical and or psychological, psychiatric, or emotional illness or drug and/ or alcohol abuse.
- Admission and discharge summaries.
- Psychological or psychiatric evaluation(s), reports, assessments, treatment notes, summaries, or other documents with diagnoses, prognoses, recommendations, or testing records, and behavioral observations or checklists completed by any staff member or the patient, or similar documents.
- Treatment, recovery, rehabilitation, aftercare plans and other similar plans.
- Social, family, educational, and vocational histories
- Social work assessments and plans
- Progress, nursing, case or similar notes.
- Evaluations and reports of consultants
- Information about how the patient's condition(s) affects or has affected his or her ability to work, and to complete tasks or activities of daily living.
- Vocational evaluations and reports
- Billing records
- Academic and educational records, including achievement and other tests' results, reports of teachers' observations, and all other school or special education documents.
- HIV -related information and drug and alcohol information contained in these records will be released under this authorization unless indicated here ____ Do not release these.
- Complete copy of the medical record.
- Other: _____

3b. Dates of care included: From _____ to _____ and
From _____ to _____

4. To this person or organization, and allow this person/organization to share the above information as well: _____

5. The information will be used/ disclosed for the following purposes:

6. I understand and agree that this Authorization will be valid and in effect until 180 days from today's date, or _____. I understand that after that date or event, no more of this information can be used or released to the person or organization unless I sign a new Authorization like this one.

7. I understand that I can revoke or cancel this authorization at any time by sending a letter to the Privacy Officer of the organization listed above and which is to supply this information. If I do this, it will prevent any releases after the date it is received but can not change the fact that some information may have been sent or shared before that date.

8. I understand that I do not have to sign this authorization and that my refusal to sign will not affect my abilities to obtain treatment from the professional or facility listed at number 4 above, nor will it affect my eligibility for benefits.

9. I understand that I may inspect and have a copy the health information described in this authorization, subject to applicable limitations and restrictions.

10. I understand that if the person or entity that receives the information is not a health care provider or health plan covered by federal privacy regulations, the information described above may be redisclosed and no longer protected by those regulations.

11. I understand that this professional or facility will receive compensation for the use or disclosure of my health information The arrangement has been explained to me and I understand and accept it. ___Does not apply

12. I affirm that everything in this form that was not clear to me has been explained and I believe .I now understand all of it.

Signature of client or his/her personal representative Date

Printed name of client or personal representative

Relationship to the client

Description of personal representative's authority

14. _____ I acknowledge that I received a copy of this completed form

15. **I**, a mental health professional, have discussed the issues above with the client and/ or his personal representative. My observations *of* his or her behavior and responses give me no reason to believe that this person is not fully competent to give informed and willing consent .

Signature Linda Sadoff, LCSW, JD Date