



Main Line Health®

- Bryn Mawr Hospital
- Lankenau Hospital
- Riddle Hospital
- Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation
- Paoli Hospital
- MLHC Physician Office
DR. _____

Authorization for Disclosure of Health Information

I hereby authorize _____ to release medical information from the records of:
(See Locations Above or Specify Another Institution)

Patient Name: _____ D.O.B.: _____

Covering the period(s) of care (list applicable dates of treatment): _____

Information to be disclosed (check all applicable items to be released)

- Complete Chart Copy
- Discharge Summary/Instructions
- Medication Records
- Operative Report
- Abstract (See # 3 in Instructions for Definition)
- ER Record
- History and Physical
- Other (specify): _____
- Progress Notes
- Consultations

I understand that any information released pursuant to this request will not include any information related to my treatment for AIDS/HIV, psychiatric care and treatment, treatment for drug and alcohol abuse unless specifically checked below.

- AIDS/HIV
- Psychiatric Care/Treatment
- Treatment for Drug or Alcohol use/abuse

I understand that Main Line Health may deny this request under limited circumstances as provided for under state or federal regulations governing the protection of personally identifiable health information. I further understand that except as otherwise permitted under applicable federal law, I have the right to have a denial of my request reviewed by a licensed health care professional selected by Main Line Health who did not participate in the decision to deny my request.

I understand that MLH will notify me of its decision to approve or deny my request to access or obtain a copy of the requested information within thirty (30) days of receiving this request if the information is maintained or accessible on-site or within sixty (60) days if the requested information is not maintained on-site. If MLH is unable to comply with my request within the specified timeframes, it may extend the applicable deadline for up to thirty (30) days by notifying me in writing.

This information is to be disclosed to:

Name of Person or Institution: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____ Phone # (for questions): _____

For the purpose of (required): Patient personal use Other (please describe) _____

Delivery Options- *(See Instructions on Reverse)

- Release to encrypted USB
- Release as printed paper copy & pick-up
- Fax: _____
- Encrypted Email or Third Party Portal: (Print Address Clearly) _____
- Release the requested information into my MyChart
- Release as printed paper copy & mail

I understand that this authorization may be revoked in writing at any time, except to the extent that action has already been taken to comply with this request. This authorization will automatically expire in twelve (12) months unless otherwise revoked or indicated to expire on _____ (Date not to exceed 12 months). **In accordance with Federal and PA state law, I understand that Main Line Health may charge a fee for obtaining copies of records, except for copies mailed directly to a healthcare facility or physician for continuing care purposes, and I agree to pay such charges.**

(Signature of Patient or Authorized Representative)

(Relationship to Patient)

(Date)

(Signature of Witness)

(Date)

Verbal Release of Mental Health Information:

Verbal Consent to Release mental health information is acceptable if the patient is physically unable to provide a signature and verbal consent is witnessed by two persons.

We, the undersigned, certify that _____ was physically unable to provide a signature, that he/she understood the nature of this release and freely gave his/her consent.

(Witness)

(Date)

(Witness)

(Date)



**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE
AUTHORIZATION FOR DISCLOSURE OF HEALTH INFORMATION FORM**

1. Please complete the Authorization for Disclosure of Health Information Form in its entirety. Incomplete forms will be returned to the sender for completion.
2. The patient or legally authorized representative (see #7 below) must sign and date the form.
3. An abstract of a record include but are not limited to (based on the type of visit) the following documents: History and Physical, Discharge Summary, Progress Notes, Admission and Discharge Information, Laboratory Tests, Radiology, Operative Reports, Pathology Reports, Consultations, Cardiology Reports, Neurovascular Reports, Diagnostic Reports, ER Notes, and Anesthesia Report.
4. Please return the form to the attention of the “Health Information Management Department”:
 - Phone: 484-476-1721
 - Fax: 610-356-3167
 - Email: HIMROI@mlhs.org
 - US Mail or Walk-in: 3803 West Chester Pike,
Ste. 160, Newtown Square, PA 19073

5. Delivery options:

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>MyChart*</u>	<u>USB</u>	<u>Fax*</u>	<u>Print & Mail</u>	<u>Print & Pick-up</u>
Patient	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Provider	N	Y	Y	Y	N
Legal	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Insurance	N	Y	Y	Y	Y

*Delivery option may not be available due to file size

6. Records for all purposes except continuing care are subject to copying charges in accordance with Federal and PA State Law. An invoice will be delivered to you and payment will be expected prior to the records being delivered.
7. The following is a list of persons authorized to sign the disclosure of health information form:
 - **Patients who are 18 years of age or older:**
 - If the patient is competent, then the patient must sign. No one else is authorized to sign.
 - If the patient is incompetent, then the legal representative must sign and provide appropriate documentation (e.g., a photocopy of power of attorney documents or other legal documents establishing the authority of the legal representative).
 - **Patients who are between 14 and 18 years of age:**
 - If the patient received mental health treatment and consented to his/her own treatment, then the patient must sign.
 - If the patient received mental health treatment and the patient’s legal guardian consented to the patient’s mental health treatment, the patient may sign or the legal guardian may sign if they are requesting:
 - (a) the release of records to the patient’s current mental health treatment provider,
 - (b) the release of records to the patient’s primary care provider (as deemed appropriate by patient’s current mental health treatment provider); or
 - (c) if the information is necessary for the legal guardian to consent to the patient’s mental health treatment.
 - If the patient received drug/alcohol treatment, then the patient must sign.
 - **Patients who are under 14 years of age:**
 - If the patient received mental health treatment, the patient’s legal guardian must sign.
 - If the patient received drug/alcohol treatment, then the patient must sign.
 - **Patients who are deceased:**
 - The patient’s legal representative must sign and provide appropriate legal proof (e.g., a photocopy of executor documentation).

Please contact the Health Information Management Department (Medical Records) at the contact information provided above if you have additional questions or need further assistance.