

# CONFIDENTIAL PATIENT CASE HISTORY

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Health Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Number \_\_\_\_\_ Work Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy) Sex  M  F  Marital Status: M S W D

Work Address \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Referred by \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

(used for appointment reminders and confirmations)

Is this a  Worker's Compensation Injury?  Motor Vehicle Accident? If Yes Claim Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete this questionnaire. Your answers will help us determine if chiropractic care can help you. If we do not believe your condition will respond satisfactorily, we will not accept your case. Thank You.**

Have you had previous chiropractic care? \_\_\_\_\_ By whom? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_ For What Condition? \_\_\_\_\_

List Surgical Operations and Years \_\_\_\_\_

Drugs you now take or have taken in the past year:  Pain Killers  Muscle relaxants  Birth Control Pills  Aspirin  
 Corticosteroids  blood thinners  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you smoke:  Yes  No If Yes - how much? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been in an auto accident?  Yes  No When? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had x-rays taken of your spine?  Yes  No When? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you participate in a regular exercise program?  Yes  No Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently pregnant?  Yes  No If Yes - how many weeks \_\_\_\_\_

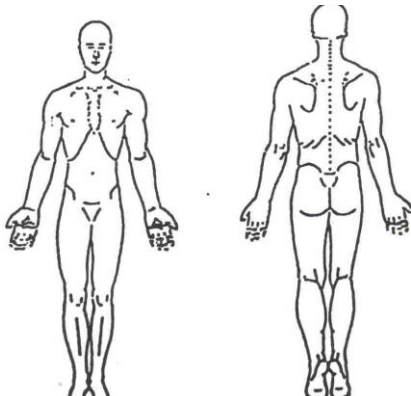
Have you been diagnosed with any of the following?

- Diabetes  Arthritis  Stroke  High Cholesterol  
 High Blood Pressure  Cancer  Transient Ischemic Attacks  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Last Physical Examination: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Family Medical Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mark your areas of pain on the figures below:**



## Family Health History:

**We are not only interested in your health and well-being, but also the health and well-being of your family and loved ones. Please mention below any health conditions or concerns you may have about your:**

Children ( & Ages) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Mother \_\_\_\_\_

Father \_\_\_\_\_

On a scale of 1 - 10, describe your stress level (1= None/ 10= Extreme):

Occupational \_\_\_\_\_ Personal \_\_\_\_\_

On a scale of Poor, Good, Excellent, describe your:

Diet \_\_\_\_\_ Exercise \_\_\_\_\_ Sleep \_\_\_\_\_ General Health \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

As a full spectrum Chiropractic office, we focus on your potential to be healthy. Our goals are, first, to address the issues that brought you to this office, and second, to offer you the opportunity of improved health potential and wellness services in the future. The following information addresses the health concerns that brought you to our office:

If you have no symptoms or complaints, and are here for wellness services, please check here .

Others need to complete the following questions:

1. Reason for consulting the clinic: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. How long have you had your primary complaint? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. How did it start? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Is it:  improving  staying the same  getting worse  comes and goes

5. Is it worse in the:  morning  afternoon  evening  night

6. What makes it worse? (e.g. sitting/stand/lifting) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. What makes it better? (e.g. rest/medication/ice/heat) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. If you are employed, please describe what activities you do on a daily basis (for example, lifting, typing, prolonged standing, sitting): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. Yes, it interferes with:  work  sleep  hobbies  leisure activities

10. Previous types of care:  Chiropractic  Massage  
 Physical Therapy  Medical Doctor  Specialist  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Health Conditions** - please circle any symptoms you have experienced during the past 12 months

**Respiration**

chronic cough  
chest pain  
difficult breathing  
asthma

**Gastrointestinal**

nausea  
vomiting  
diarrhea  
indigestion  
ulcers  
heartburn  
constipation

**Cardiovascular**

high blood pressure  
hardening of arteries  
swollen ankles

**Neurological**

visual disturbances  
co-ordination difficulties  
dizziness  
slurred speech  
headache  
facial numbness  
difficulty swallowing

**Muscle and Joints**

stiff neck arthritis  
backache spinal curvature  
neck pain faulty posture  
swollen joints  
foot trouble  
pain in shoulders  
loss of balance



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### **INFORMED CONSENT TO CHIROPRACTIC ADJUSTMENTS AND CARE**

It is important for you to consider the benefits, risks and alternatives to the treatment options offered by your chiropractor and to make an informed decision about proceeding with treatment.

Chiropractic treatment includes adjustment, manipulation and mobilization of the spine and other joints of the body, soft-tissue techniques such as massage, and other forms of therapy including, but not limited to electrical or light therapy and exercise.

#### **Benefits:**

Chiropractic treatment has been demonstrated to be effective for complaints of the neck, back and other areas of the body caused by nerves, muscles, joints and related tissues. Treatment by your chiropractor can relieve pain, including headache, altered sensation, muscle stiffness and spasm. It can also increase mobility, improve function, and reduce or eliminate the need for drugs or surgery.

#### **Risks:**

The risks associated with chiropractic treatment vary according to each patient's condition as well as location and type of treatment.

The risks include:

- **Temporary worsening of symptoms** – Usually, any increase in pre-existing symptoms of pain or stiffness will last only a few hours to a few days.
- **Skin irritation or burn** – Skin irritation or a burn may occur in association with the use of some types of electrical or light therapy. Skin irritation should resolve quickly. A burn may leave a permanent scar.
- **Sprain or strain** – Typically, a muscle or ligament sprain or strain will resolve itself within a few days or weeks with some rest, protection of the area affected and other minor care.
- **Rib fracture** – While a rib fracture is painful and can limit your activity for a period of time, it will generally heal on its own over a period of several weeks without further treatment or surgical intervention.
- **Injury or aggravation of a disc** – Over the course of a lifetime, spinal discs may degenerate or become damaged. A disc can degenerate with aging, while disc damage can occur with common daily activities such as bending or lifting. Patients who already have a degenerated or damaged disc may or may not have symptoms. They may not know they have a problem with a disc. They also may know their disc condition is worsening because they only experience back or neck problems once in a while.

Chiropractic treatment should not damage a disc that is not already degenerated or damaged, but if there is a pre-existing disc condition, chiropractic treatment, like many common daily activities, may aggravate the disc condition.

The consequences of disc injury or aggravating a pre-existing condition will vary with each patient. In the most severe cases, patient symptoms may include impaired back or neck mobility, radiating pain and

numbness into the legs or arms, impaired bowel or bladder function, or impaired leg or arm function. Surgery may be needed.

**Stroke** – Blood flows to the brain through two sets of arteries passing through the neck. These arteries may become weakened and damaged, either over time through aging or disease, or as a result to injury. A blood clot may form in a damaged artery. All or part of the clot may break off and travel up the artery to the brain where it can interrupt blood flow and cause a stroke.

Many common activities of daily living involving ordinary neck movements have been associated with stroke resulting from damage to an artery in the neck, or a clot that already existed in the artery breaking off and travelling up to the brain.

Chiropractic treatment has also been associated with stroke. However, that association occurs very infrequently, and may be explained because an artery was already damaged and the patient was progressing toward a stroke when the patient consulted the chiropractor. Present medical and scientific evidence does not establish that chiropractic treatment causes either damage to an artery or stroke.

The consequences of a stroke can be very serious, including significant impairment of vision, speech, balance and brain function, as well as paralysis or death.

### **Alternatives**

Alternatives to chiropractic treatment may include consulting other health professionals. Your chiropractor may also prescribe rest without treatment, or exercise with or without treatment.

### **Questions or concerns**

You are encouraged to ask questions at any time regarding your assessment and treatment. Bring any concerns you have to the chiropractor's attention. If you are not comfortable, you may stop treatment at any time.

**Please be involved in and responsible for your care. Inform your chiropractor immediately of any change in your condition.**

#### **DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM UNTIL YOU MEET WITH THE CHIROPRACTOR**

I hereby acknowledge that I have discussed with the chiropractor the assessment of my condition and the treatment plan. I understand the nature of the treatment to be provided to me. I have considered the benefits and risks of treatment, as well as the alternatives to treatment. I hereby consent to chiropractic treatment as proposed to me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Patient (or legal guardian)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Chiropractor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_