

GREENBELT ENDOSCOPY CENTER

RECORD RELEASE TO PATIENT 01/2018

**AUTHORIZATION FOR USE AND DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION (PHI)
TO INCLUDE SUPER CONFIDENTIAL PHI DIRECTLY TO THE PATIENT**

There is a charge for the transfer of your medical records depending on the method of transfer. Maryland State Rates apply plus postage. Please contact our medical records department for details.

I, _____, (Name of Patient making Request), hereby request a copy of my health records and authorize Greenbelt Endoscopy Center, (hereafter collectively referred to as "this Healthcare Facility") to use and disclose a copy of my health records to me.

I prefer my records be sent to me in the following format, but understand that by law, the records can be sent in any electronic format similar if the format I desire is not available. I know this Healthcare Facility will supply me these records within 30 days of this request and will contact me should there be any reason they need to extend this time frame. I understand, by law this Healthcare Facility can request an extension for more time but, can only request an extension once for an additional 30 days. The format which I prefer to receive my electronic records in is:

- Email a PDF copy to (email address): _____
- Fax a copy to (fax number): _____
- Send a hard copy to (address): _____
- I will pick up a copy on or after (date): _____

I specifically authorize this Healthcare Facility to use and disclose verbally, by mail, fax or unencrypted email, the following types of super-confidential information as stated in the NOPP (initial where appropriate):

- HIV records (including HIV test results) and sexually transmissible diseases (Initials) _____
- Alcohol and substance abuse diagnosis and treatment records _____
- Psychotherapy records _____
- Not Applicable _____

The undersigned does hereby release, hold harmless and agree to indemnify this Healthcare Facility, its employees and agents for any and all liability (including but not limited to negligence) arising out of or occurring under this authorization. I am aware that by choosing electronic methods, such as email messages, records cannot be guaranteed to be secure or error-free as transmitted information can be intercepted, corrupted, lost, destroyed, arrive late or incomplete, or contain viruses. Greenbelt Endoscopy Center therefore does not accept liability for any error or omission in the contents of this message, which arise as a result of electronic transmission. Further, I understand that my records may be subject to re-disclosure by recipient(s) and unprotected by federal or state law; that this authorization remains effective until this Healthcare Facility is in actual receipt of a signed revocation or until the records retention period required under federal and state law has expired and the records have been destroyed; that I have the right to revoke this authorization at any time, provided I do so in writing; that I have been given an opportunity to ask questions; that I have received a copy of the signed authorization; that I may inspect a copy of my protected health information to be used or disclosed under this authorization; that this Healthcare Facility has not conditioned provision of services to or treatment of me upon receipt of this signed authorization; and that I may refuse to sign this authorization. A copy of this signed, dated Authorization shall be as effective as the original.

Patient's name

Patient's Signature

Date

Or

Patient's representative/guardian name)

Signature

Date