

**Nephrology Associates of Syracuse, PC**  
**AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF HEALTH INFORMATION PURSUANT TO HIPAA**

<b>Patient Full Name:</b>	<b>Patient Date of Birth:</b>
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<b>Patient's Address:</b>
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I, or my authorized representative, request that health information regarding my care and treatment be released as set forth on this form:

In accordance with New York State Law and Privacy Rule of the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), I understand that:

1. This authorization may include disclosures of information relating to Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Mental Health Treatment, except psychotherapy notes, and Confidential HIV Related Information only if I place my initials on the appropriate line in item 9(a). In the event information described below includes any of these types of information, and I initial the line on the box Item 9(a), I specifically authorize release of such information to the person(s) indicted in Item 8.
2. If I am authorizing the release of HIV-related, alcohol or drug treatment, or mental health treatment information, the recipient is prohibited from re-disclosing such information without my authorization unless permitted to do so under federal or state law. I understand that I have the right to request a list of people who may receive or use my HIV-related information without authorization. If I experience discrimination because of the release or disclosure of HIV-related information, I may contact the New York State Division of Human Rights at (212) 480-2493 or the New York City Commission of Human Rights at (212) 306-7450. These agencies are responsible for protecting my rights.
3. I have the right to revoke this authorization at any time by writing to the Nephrology Associates of Syracuse, PC listed below. I understand that I may revoke this authorization except to the extent that action has already been taken based on this authorization.
4. I understand that signing this authorization is voluntary. My treatment, payment, enrollment in a health plan, or eligibility for benefits will not be conditioned upon my authorization of this disclosure.
5. Information disclosed under this authorization might be re-disclosed by the recipient (except as noted above in Item 2), and this re-disclosure may no longer be protected by federal or state law.
6. **THIS AUTHORIZATION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE YOU TO DISCUSS MY HEALTH INFORMATION OR MEDICAL CARE WITH ANYONE OTHER THEN THE INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION SPECIFIED IN ITEM 9(b).**

7. Name and address of health provider or entity to release information: <b>NEPHROLOGY ASSOCIATES OF SYRACUSE, PC</b>
8. Name and address of person or organization to whom this information will be sent:

**9. (a) Specific information to be released - Please check below and fill in blanks as applicable:**

- Medical Records from (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_ to (insert date) \_\_\_\_\_
- Entire Medical Record, including patient histories, office notes (except psychotherapy notes), test results, radiology films, referrals, consults and billing records
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Include:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Alcohol/Drug Treatment
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mental Health Information
- \_\_\_\_\_ HIV- Related Information

**9. (b). Authorization to Discuss Health Information**

By initialing here \_\_\_\_\_ I authorize **NEPHROLOGY ASSOCIATES OF SYRACUSE, PC** to discuss my health information with:

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Person or Organizations Name)**

<p><b>10. Reason for release of information- Please check below and complete:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ At request of Individual</li> <li>○ Transfer Care to another practice</li> <li>○ Other:            _____            _____</li> </ul>	<p><b>11. Date or event on which this authorization will expire:</b></p>
<p><b>12. If not the patient, name of person signing form:</b></p>	<p><b>13. Authority to sign on behalf of patient:</b></p>

**All items on this form have been completed and my questions about this form have been answered. In addition, I have been provided a copy of this form.**

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**Signature of patient or representative authorized by law**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_