

Request and Authorization for Disclosure of Health Information

PLEASE PRINT or TYPE

EFFECTIVE AS OF _____

This is an authorization requesting _____ [Name of Health Plan-organization that will release your information] to release individual health information protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (“HIPAA”), or by state law protecting the privacy of health information. I hereby authorize the use and disclosure of the individually identifiable health information as described below.

- (1) The request for release of information is being made **for** the dental plan member identified below.

Identification Number Member’s Name ____/____/____
Date of Birth

Mailing Address (____)____-____
Telephone Number

- (2) Specific description of information that may be used/disclosed:

Claims Information Payment Information

Other Information (must provide specific description): _____

- (3) The information will be used/disclosed for the following purpose(s):

Obtaining Claims Information or Payment Information for the Resolution of Claim Processing or Payment Issues

Other: _____

- (4) Persons/organizations **authorized to receive** the information:

Family Members (must list name and relationship): _____

All Group Health Plan Representatives at member’s place of employment (provide name of member’s employer): _____

Other (must list names and relationship to member): _____

(5) I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time by sending a written notice of my revocation to the address listed below. I understand that revocation of this authorization will not affect any action your dental plan or it's subsidiaries, affiliates, business associates, etc. took in reliance on this authorization before it received my written notice of revocation. I also understand that without my written authorization, my dental plan may not use or disclose my health information for any reason except those described in Notice of Privacy Policies and Practices. Unless otherwise revoked, this authorization will expire on the following date.

This authorization expires on ____/____/____. [Insert applicable date. If no expiration date is stated, this authorization will be deemed to expire one year from the date of execution.]

I understand that authorizing the disclosure of this health information is voluntary, and is not a condition of enrollment in this health plan's eligibility for benefits, or payment of claims.

I understand that, if the persons or organizations I authorize to receive and/or use the protected health information described above are not health plans, covered health care providers or health care clearinghouses subject to federal health information privacy laws, they may further disclose the protected health information and it may no longer be protected by federal health information privacy laws.

I release my dental plan, its affiliated companies, employees, officers and business associates from legal liability for any recipient's use or disclosure of information released by my dental plan in reliance on this authorization.

Signed (member or personal representative)

Date

Printed name of signature above (member's personal representative)

Description of the representative's authority to act for the member

You are entitled to a copy of this authorization after you sign it. Any revocation or change to this authorization, or any questions regarding its legal effect, should be addressed to:

Dental Customer Service
P.O. Box 69420
Harrisburg, PA 17106-9420

If you have any questions, please call Dental Customer Service at the telephone number located on the back of your identification card. You may fax this form to 1-866-335-3969 or return the form to the address listed above.

Discrimination is Against the Law

The Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity. The Plan does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex assigned at birth, gender identity or recorded gender. Furthermore, the Plan will not deny or limit coverage to any health service based on the fact that an individual's sex assigned at birth, gender identity, or recorded gender is different from the one to which such health service is ordinarily available. The Plan will not deny or limit coverage for a specific health service related to gender transition if such denial or limitation results in discriminating against a transgender individual.

The Plan:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)

- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact the Civil Rights Coordinator.

If you believe that the Plan has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, including sex stereotypes and gender identity, you can file a grievance with: Civil Rights Coordinator, P.O. Box 22492, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, Phone: 1-866-286-8295, TTY: 711, Fax: 412-544-2475, email: CivilRightsCoordinator@highmark.com. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, the Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you. You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

English	ATTENTION: If you speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
Español (Spanish)	ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, le ofrecemos servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
繁體中文 (Chinese)	注意：如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711)。
Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese)	CHÚ Ý: Nếu quý vị nói Tiếng Việt, chúng tôi có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho quý vị. Gọi số 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
한국어 (Korean)	주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711) 번으로 전화해 주십시오.
Tagalog (Tagalog - Filipino)	PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
Русский (Russian)	ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 1-800-332-0366 (телетайп: 711).
العربية (Arabic)	يرجى الانتباه: إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، تتوفر خدمات المساعدة للغوية المجانية. اتصل على 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711)
Kreyòl Ayisyen (French Creole)	ATANSYON: Si ou pale Kreyòl Ayisyen, gen sèvis èd nan lang ki disponib gratis pou ou. Rele nimewo 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
Français (French)	ATTENTION : si vous parlez français, des services d'assistance linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-800-332-0366 (ATS: 711).
Polski (Polish)	UWAGA: jeżeli mówisz po polsku, możesz skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej. Zadzwoń pod numer 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
Português (Portuguese)	ATENÇÃO: se você fala português, encontram-se disponíveis serviços linguísticos gratuitos. Ligue para 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
Italiano (Italian)	ATTENZIONE: In caso la lingua parlata sia l'italiano, sono disponibili servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti. Chiamare il numero 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
Deutsch (German)	ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose Dienste für die sprachliche Unterstützung zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711).
日本語 (Japanese)	注意事項：日本語をお使いの方は、言語面でのサポートを無償でご利用いただけます。1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711) まで、お電話にてご連絡ください。
فارسی (Farsi)	توجه: اگر به زبان فارسی صحبت می کنید، تسهیلات زبانی بصورت رایگان برای شما فراهم می باشد. با 1-800-332-0366 (TTY: 711) تماس بگیرید.