

## CHIROPRACTIC INITIAL HEALTH FORM

### PATIENT INFORMATION

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Health #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: Home: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Work: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Referring Practitioner: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

\*NOTE: Text messaging is used to notify patients about upcoming appointments. Would you like to receive text messages from our office?

Yes  No

### EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: Home: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Work: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Will you be claiming your Chiropractic treatment under any of the following? Please check the appropriate box.

- WCB  SGI  RCMP  DVA  CAF  
 Supplementary Services (Government Program)  
(Senior Income Plan, Family Income Plan and Social Services)

Claim #: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Have you seen a Chiropractor before?  Yes  No

If so, who? \_\_\_\_\_ For what complaint? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had any imaging on the area of concern?  X-ray  MRI  
 CT Scan  ULTRA SOUND

When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where were the images taken? \_\_\_\_\_

**PAST AND PRESENT MEDICAL INFORMATION**

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Please **circle** any conditions that **presently** cause you problems.  
Please **check** any conditions that were a problem for you in the **past**.

**General Symptoms:**

- Headache
- Fever
- Sweats
- Fainting
- Dizziness
- Convulsions
- Nervousness
- Loss of weight
- Numbness, pain, tingling

**Genitourinary:**

- Poor appetite
- Blood in urine
- Kidney Infection
- Bed wetting
- Prostate trouble (men)

**Respiratory:**

- Chronic cough
- Spitting up phlegm
- Spitting up blood
- Chest pain
- Difficulty breathing

**Have you recently had:**

- Recent fever/infection
- Unexpected weight loss
- Pain waking you up at night
- Night sweats
- Bowel or bladder problems
- Numbness or tingling
- History of cancer

**Muscles and Joints:**

- Stiff neck
  - Backache
  - Swollen joints
  - Painful tailbone
  - Foot trouble
  - Shoulder pain
  - Elbow pain
  - Wrist pain
  - Hand pain
  - Hip pain
  - Knee pain
  - Arthritis
  - Have you had any fractures?
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**Cardiovascular:**

- Pain over heart
- Stroke
- Hardening of Arteries
- High blood pressure
- Varicose veins
- Swelling of ankles
- Poor circulation
- Angina

**G.U. for Women:**

- Painful menstruation
- Excessive flow
- Cramps or backache
- Vaginal discharge
- Swollen breasts
- Lumps in breasts
- Hot flashes
- Number of pregnancies: \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of children: \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you currently have any of the following symptoms:**

- Dizziness
- Trouble swallowing
- Trouble speaking
- Fainting
- Double vision
- Unusual balance issues
- Nausea
- Numbness

**Gastrointestinal:**

- Poor appetite
- Indigestion
- Excessive hunger
- Belching (gas)
- Nausea/vomiting
- Vomiting with blood
- Pain over stomach
- Constipation
- Diarrhea
- Hemorrhoids
- Jaundice
- Gall bladder problems
- Ulcer

**Eyes, Ears, Nose, Throat:**

- Failing vision
- Crossed eyes
- Eye pain
- Deafness
- Earache
- Asthma
- Frequency colds
- Sinus infections
- Enlarged glands
- Enlarged thyroid

**Skin:**

- Rashes
- Itching
- Bruises easily
- Dryness
- Boils

**Please list past/recent surgical procedures:**

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**Please list any medications you are currently taking:**

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**REASON FOR VISIT**

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What brings you into the office today? \_\_\_\_\_

When did this complaint begin? \_\_\_\_\_

How often does this complaint bother you? \_\_\_\_\_ How long does it last? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there ever a time when the pain does not bother you? \_\_\_\_\_

How would you describe the pain? (Ex: Sharp, stabbing, achy, dull). \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any numbness or tingling in the arms or legs? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your pain radiate down the leg or arm? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything you find relieving (ex: ice, heat, rest)? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything you find aggravating (ex: standing, bending over)? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received treatment/surgery for your current complaint? If so, from whom?

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Has there been a change in bowel/bladder function?  No  Yes Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

If the complaint is related to your back, is the pain mainly in the back or leg?

Back Dominant.

Leg Dominant.

Do you have a history of back problems? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have, or have you ever had, any medical conditions? (Ex: high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, cancer, heart attack, stroke, or any other medical condition or event). Please list.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please list any past or present medical conditions that your blood-related family members are affected by. (Ex: high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, cancer, heart attack, stroke, or any other medical condition or event). Please list.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Do you have any allergies? If so, please list. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had any falls, motor vehicle accidents, or other traumatic incidents?

\_\_\_\_\_  
What is your height? \_\_\_\_\_ What is your weight? \_\_\_\_\_

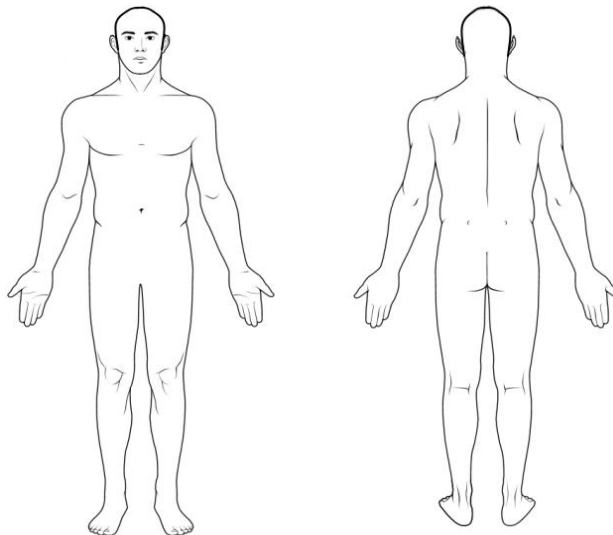
## PAIN QUESTIONNAIRES

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### Body Pain Diagram

Please fill this out carefully. Use the appropriate symbols (provided below) to mark the area on the diagram where you feel the described sensation. Include all affected areas, including radiation of pain.

Numbness	= = =
Burning Pain	x x x
Aching Pain	(( (
Pins & Needles	o o o
Stabbing Pain	///



### Level of Disability

What is the overall level of disability? (Please check the most appropriate response).

- No Limitations.
- Mild Limitations – able to do most activities with minor modifications.
- Moderate Limitations – able to do most activities with modifications.
- Severe Limitations – unable to perform most activities.

### Visual Analog Scale

If you had to rate your pain on a scale of 0 - 10, (0 = no pain, 10 = most pain imaginable), where would you rate your pain right now? Please indicate on this scale with a check or circle.

0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10

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*Chiropractic Associates Clinic is a multi-disciplinary clinic. If at any time you see more than one health care practitioner at this clinic, presently or in the future, do you agree to allow your health care practitioners to communicate with each other about your case?*       Yes       No

*If the need should arise, do you agree to allow your health care practitioners to communicate with other members of your health care team outside of this office? (i.e. General Practitioner, other specialists, etc...)*       Yes       No

*I hereby certify that the above information given are true and correct as to the best of my knowledge.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Patient Signature/Legal Guardian**

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

## CONSENT TO CHIROPRACTIC TREATMENT

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 the 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 not 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 disc 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 of 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.**

<b>DO <u>NOT</u> SIGN THIS FORM UNTIL YOU MEET WITH THE CHIROPRACTOR</b>	
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.	
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Name (Please Print)	
_____	Date: _____ 20____
Signature of patient (or legal guardian)	
_____	Date: _____ 20____
Signature of Chiropractor	