



Member Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information (PHI)

ECHS Category - PHIA

I hereby authorize Aetna Life Insurance Company and any of its parents, subsidiaries, and affiliates (including, but not limited to Aetna Health Management, Inc., Aetna's affiliated HMOs and Aetna Integrated Informatics, Inc.) and their respective employees, agents and subcontractors, to disclose PHI concerning the Member identified below.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS AUTHORIZATION IS VOLUNTARY.

Please submit a separate Authorization form for each Member for whom Aetna is being requested to disclose PHI. If this form is not completed, as applicable, Aetna will be unable to process your request. Incomplete authorization requests will be returned. PLEASE PRINT YOUR RESPONSES.

1. Member Information

Last Name		First Name		Middle Initial
I.D. Number	Social Security Number	Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Daytime Telephone Number (include area code)	
Street Address		City, State and ZIP Code		

2. Subscriber Information (The Subscriber is usually the Employee who obtains coverage for his or her family. Please complete this Section if the Subscriber is not the Member whose records are being requested.) This Section does not apply to Long Term Care.

Last Name		First Name		Middle Initial
I.D. Number	Social Security Number	Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Daytime Telephone Number (include area code)	Employer
Street Address		City, State and ZIP Code		

3. I authorize the individual(s) or company(ies) identified below to receive PHI pertaining to the Member identified in Section 1 above.¹

Individual or company authorized to receive PHI	Daytime Telephone Number (include area code)
Street Address	City, State and ZIP Code
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4. Purpose(s) for this Authorization

The purpose of this authorization is to permit disclosure of any and all requests for PHI, as well as information pertaining to disability and life insurance products, to the individual(s) or company(ies) named in Section 3 above.

NOTE: This form cannot be used to authorize release of psychotherapy notes.

This authorization will apply to all PHI maintained by Aetna, unless you specify certain categories listed below.

Optional: Description of the information to be released or disclosed (check all that are appropriate)

Health (e.g. medical, dental, pharmacy, vision, and flexible spending account information)

Behavioral Health (e.g., mental health, drug and alcohol abuse treatment, but **not** psychotherapy notes)

Disability Life Insurance Long Term Care Patient Management Records Other: _____

This authorization will be in effect for two years from the date signed, unless you indicate a shorter period below.

_____ through _____

mm/dd/yyyy mm/dd/yyyy

¹ NOTICE TO RECIPIENT(S) OF INFORMATION (Section 3. above):

Information disclosed to you pertaining to certain conditions, such as treatment for alcohol or drug abuse, HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases, behavioral health, and genetic marker information is protected by various federal and state laws which prohibit any further disclosure of this information by you without the express written consent of the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by such laws. Any unauthorized further disclosure in violation of state or federal law may result in a fine or jail sentence or both. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient consent for release of these types of information. The federal rule at 42 CFR Part 2 restricts use of the information disclosed to criminally investigate or prosecute any alcohol or drug abuse patient.

5. IMPORTANT: Your signature below means that you understand and agree to the following:

- The PHI made available to the individuals(s) or company(ies) identified in Section 3 above may include diagnosis and treatment information, including information pertaining to chronic diseases, behavioral health conditions, alcohol or substance abuse, communicable diseases, sexually-transmitted diseases, HIV/AIDS, and/or genetic marker information..
- Information disclosed as permitted by this authorization may be redisclosed by the recipient and may no longer be protected by federal or state privacy regulations. **Oklahoma Residents:** You may have additional protections under Section 1-502.2 of the Oklahoma statutes if the type of information to be released relates to HIV/AIDS and/or sexually-transmitted disease information.
- If we receive requests for copies of claims/encounter information from the individual or company you have named in Section 3, we may charge a reasonable fee (except where prohibited by law) to apply to our copying and mailing costs.
- Your ability to enroll in an Aetna plan, and your eligibility for benefits and payment for services, will not be affected if you do not sign this form. However, without your signature, your request to release information to the individual(s) or company(ies) named in Section 3 above will not be completed.)
- You may receive a copy of this signed form if you ask for it by writing to the address listed at the bottom of this page.
- You may revoke this authorization at any time by notifying Aetna in writing at the address below. Revoking this authorization will not have any effect on actions that Aetna took with your permission before receiving your notice to revoke the authorization.

6. Signature of Member or Member's Legal Representative.

<p><u>Minors must sign this form below if (check applicable box):</u></p> <p>1. <input type="checkbox"/> the minor is married or emancipated or,</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> the information being authorized for release pertains to drug or alcohol treatment or,</p> <p>3. <input type="checkbox"/> the information authorized for release pertains to one of the following conditions and applicable state law permits the minor to receive treatment for these conditions without consent of parent/legal guardian:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a. mental health</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b. sexually transmitted diseases (including HIV/AIDS)</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">c. reproductive health (including contraception, prenatal care and abortion)</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">d. general medical and dental health.</p>		<p><u>All others must sign this form below as (check applicable box):</u></p> <p>4. <input type="checkbox"/> the Member or Member's legal representative or,</p> <p>5. <input type="checkbox"/> the parent/legal guardian of unemancipated minor, unless minor has signed at left, box 2 has been checked, and state law requires signature of parent/legal guardian for drug or alcohol treatment.</p> <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> the parent/legal guardian of unemancipated minor, unless minor has signed at left and box 3 at left has been checked.</p>	
Signature	Date	Signature	Date
Print Name		Print Name	
<p>If the person signing this Authorization is not the Member, describe relationship to the Member (i.e. Parent/Legal Guardian, Legal Representative):</p>			

If this authorization is being signed by the Member's Legal Representative, you must provide the relevant legal document authorizing you to act on the Member's behalf (e.g. Power of Attorney, Legal Guardianship, Executor of Estate).

Return this completed form and relevant documentation, if required, to:

**Aetna HIPAA Member Rights Team
PO Box 14079
Lexington, KY 40512-4079
Fax: (859) 280-1272**

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Here are some helpful hints on how to complete the form

Section 1

Add the name of the member whose information will be shared.

Section 2

Add the name of the subscriber. The subscriber is the person who pays for the plan.

Section 3

Add the name of who will be getting the member's information.

Section 4

In this section, choose the information you would like us to share. If you do not check a box then ALL your information will be shared. Authorizations are good for two years, unless you add a shorter time in this section.

Section 5

Informational only.

Section 6

Left hand box: If the member listed in Section 1 is a minor

Some state laws allow a minor child to get care without a parent's consent. If the person named in section1 is a minor older than 13 then minor must sign and date this section.

Right hand box: All other members or Legal Representatives

Check the appropriate box, sign and date the form.

If you are not the member and are signing this form, you must send legal documents showing you can sign for the member.