



## MAJERUS & CO. PHYSICAL THERAPY PATIENT TREATMENT & FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

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We are committed to providing you with the best possible medical and patient support care. Your understanding of our Policies is important to our professional relationship.

### **MEDICAL TREATMENT**

I hereby consent to the examinations, treatments, and recommendations for care as may be directed or approved by the practitioners participating in my health care (including attending physician, his/her colleagues, designees, and consultants). I have and will continue to discuss with the practitioner the possible benefits, risks, and alternatives to care authorized by this consent. I understand that no guarantees or promises have been made concerning the results of any of the procedures, treatment, examination, or care authorized by this consent.

### **AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

The institution rendering services is hereby authorized to furnish and release, in accordance with facility policy, such professional and clinical information as may be necessary for the completion of my medical claims by valid third-party agents or agencies from the medical records compiled during treatment. The facility rendering treatment is hereby released from all legal liability that may arise from the release of said information. I also authorize the release of any and all medical records *from other facilities* requested by the above entity, as may be required for completion of the therapist's chart review, assessments, and evaluations. After 90 days, a new signed Release of Information is required.

### **FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

We participate in most major health insurance plans. As a courtesy to our patients, we will submit insurance claims to your carrier and verify your plan benefits. We expect you to:

- Be responsible for understanding the details of your insurance coverage, including requirements for pre-authorization, annual deductible, co-pay, or co-insurance amounts, and visit or dollar limitations for physical therapy services.
- Provide us with a current copy of your insurance card(s) and notify us of any changes in your insurance coverage. If we do not have current insurance billing information, we will expect full payment at the time of service.

Our Business Office team will verify coverage with your insurance carrier; this is, however, no guarantee of benefit. Some plans have a set co-pay per visit; some require you pay a co-insurance percentage, after satisfying your plan-year medical deductible. We expect you to:

- Be responsible for any charges not paid by your insurance company within 60 days of our filing.
- If your plan has a co-pay per visit, payment is due at time of service, per our contract with your insurance.
- If your plan has a medical deductible which has not yet been satisfied, a minimum deposit of \$100 is due at the time of service.
- If your plan has a co-insurance per visit, an estimated amount will be determined, and payment is encouraged at time of service which applies as a credit to your account. This prevents you receiving a large billing once the insurance has completed processing several claims. We mail patient statements each month after insurance has processed any claims.
- If any durable medical equipment (DME) is recommended by your provider
  - our contractual agreement with some insurance companies allows us to bill some, but not all DME items. Claims will be processed per the plan benefit level. Our office manager can advise if we are contracted with your insurance for DME and what items may be covered. \*\*A prescription for the item(s) is required for medical necessity and must be in hand at the time of receiving the DME.
  - If you choose to purchase any DME outright, payment is required at the time of service.

**MEDICARE OUTPATIENT REHABILITATION THERAPY BENEFITS**

Medicare Part B covers physical therapy (PT) and speech language pathology (SLP) up to an annual combined dollar limit. The dollar limit amount is determined each calendar year by Medicare. I will advise this office of any prior PT visits for this calendar year, as this will impact the Medicare benefits still available to me.

**NO SHOW/CANCELLATION POLICY**

We are committed to providing all our patients with exceptional care. When a patient cancels without giving enough notice, they prevent another patient from being seen. We need **at least 24-hour\*** notification of cancellation of a scheduled appointment (by phone or in person as email is not reliable). \*To cancel a Monday appointment, call our office by 3:00 pm the preceding Friday. If a patient arrives more than 10 minutes late for the scheduled appointment, we may not honor the appointment and cancellation fees will apply. When a patient fails to cancel or misses the scheduled appointment within the required time, for any reason, the following will apply:

- 1<sup>st</sup> occurrence                                   \$ 25.00 charge
- 2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence                                   \$ 50.00 charge
- Each additional occurrence                 \$ 75.00 charge                                   \_\_\_\_\_ **initial**

If a patient fails to appear for more than two scheduled appointments without prior cancellation, he/she may be dismissed from the practice for failure to comply with the physical therapy treatment plan.

**PAYMENT PLANS**

If you anticipate that you will need a payment plan, we offer a payment option through CareCredit upon approval, which is a *No Interest If Paid Within Promo Period* covering 6 months. All CareCredit plans feature no up-front costs, annual fees, or repayment penalties. For details or to apply, speak with our Office Manager.

**ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS**

I authorize payment of insurance benefits directly to Majerus & Co. Physical Therapy. I understand that I am responsible for payment of my account at the time therapy services are rendered. I understand that any insurance I may have is an arrangement between myself and the insurance company and does not relieve me of the liability of payment to this facility. These amounts may include co-payments, deductibles, co-insurance, or services not covered. I agree to make a minimum payment of no less than \$50.00 per month towards my balance. If a check is returned for insufficient funds, I agree to pay a \$25.00 fee. If my patient balance is outstanding for more than two billing cycles (60 days) after applicable insurance monies have been received, I agree that an interest fee of 1.5% per month will be added to my account balance.

In the event this account is placed with an attorney or collection agency for collection, the undersigned agrees to pay reasonable attorney’s fees, legal expenses, and lawful collection costs in addition to all other sums due hereunder. If questions arise, please contact our billing department at 360.263.2950 for assistance. We consider financial matters important and ask you to bring any concerns to our attention.

I certify that I have read, fully understand, and consent to the terms set forth in this agreement.

**Patient Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Patient Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian Signature (if patient is a minor): \_\_\_\_\_