

Main Street Medical Center

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Consent for Electronic Medical Records

Main Street Medical Center utilizes electronic health records (EHR's) or electronic medical record (EMR). This allows our healthcare providers to record patient information electronically instead of using paper records. The government has initiated EHR Programs which asks providers to use the capabilities of their EHRs to achieve benchmarks that can lead to improved patient care. electronic medical records keeping and transmission in accordance with CMS (Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services) meaningful use guidelines. As a service to you, and as required by the government, we offer a website and patient portal which grants YOU secured access to your medical record; which will include: visit summaries, appointment reminders, refill requests, etc.

With your permission, providers and staff members of Main Street Medical Center will be given access to all available electronic records documenting any medical care you receive at our clinic.

You are being asked to agree to this disclosure, exchange, and use of clinical information because your providers believe timely access of your medical records and exchanging those medical records electronically with other physicians will increase your quality of care. Clinical information that may be shared with other physicians include items such as lab test results, operative reports, office visit notes, x-ray reports, hospital discharge summaries, and other clinical information relating to you and the care you receive. **This confidential information may also include some or all of the following: diagnostic or treatment information relating to mental health or psychiatric conditions; information relating to referrals for, or the diagnosis or treatment of, drug or alcohol abuse; genetic testing information or results; information relating to being a victim of, or counseling about, domestic abuse, neglect, or violence; and/or HIV/AIDS test results or treatment.** The shared information will be used only for the purposes of facilitating your medical treatment, payment for that treatment, or certain limited health care operations uses permitted under HIPAA - the federal Privacy Rule.

Main Street Medical Center is committed to respecting and protecting the confidentiality of your clinical information and have policies and procedures in place to protect your health information. Access to your electronic medical records is tracked and this access may be audited to assure that it is appropriate. (For more on Main Street Medical's patient privacy policies go to <http://www.crestviewmsmc.com>.)

By signing below you are indicating that you are aware of Main Street Medical Center's use of Electronic Medical Records (EMR) and patient portal and that you give consent for such disclosure, electronic exchange, and electronic use of your protected health information.

Patient Name _____

Date _____

Signature _____

Patient Email Address _____