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Prescription Agreement Form

The purpose of this agreement is to protect your access to controlled substances and protect our ability to prescribe for you.

The long-term use of such substances as opioids (narcotics, analgesics), benzodiazepine tranquilizers and barbiturate sedatives is controversial because of uncertainty regarding the extent to which they provide long-term benefit. There is also the risk of an addictive disorder developing or of relapse occurring in a person with a prior addiction. The extent of the risk is not certain.

Because these drugs have potential for abuse or diversion, strict accountability is necessary when use is prolonged. For this reason the following policies are agreed to by you, the patient, as consideration for, and a condition of, the willingness of the physician whose signature appears below to consider the initial or continued prescription of a controlled substance to treat your acute or chronic pain.

- 1. All controlled substances must come from the physician whose signature appears below or, during his or her absence, by the covering physician, unless specific authorization is obtained for an exception. (Multiple sources can lead to untoward drug interactions or poor coordination of treatment.)
- 2. All controlled substances must be obtained at the same pharmacy, where possible. Should the need arise to change pharmacies, our office must be informed. The pharmacy you have selected is:

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- 3. You are expected to inform our office of any new medications or medical conditions, and of any adverse effects you experience from any of the medications that you take.
- The prescribing physician has permission to discuss all diagnostic and treatment details with dispensing pharmacist or other professional who provide your health care for purpose of maintaining accountability.
- 5. You may not share, sell or otherwise permit others to have access to these medications.
- 6. These drugs should not be stopped abruptly, as an abstinence syndrome will likely develop.
- Unannounced urine or serum toxicology screens may be requested and your cooperation is required. Presence of unauthorized substances may prompt referral for assessment for addictive disorder.
- 8. Prescriptions and bottles of these medications may be sought by other individuals with chemica dependency and should be closely safeguarded. It is expected that you will take the highest possible degree of care with your medication and prescriptions. They should not be left where others might see or otherwise have access to them.
- 9. Prescriptions will not be filled earlier than the refill date. There will be no refills over the weekend, or after office hours.

I have read and understood all of the terms set forth in this agreement. I have been given a chance to ask and have all my questions answered to my satisfaction. By signing this form voluntarily, I agree to everything which has been set forth in this agreement.

Print Name	Patient signature