

**Stephen J Shields, MD. PA.**  
**American Board of Internal Medicine**

**Stephen J. Shields, MD.**  
**Denise Palazzola, MS, ANP-BC**

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**Welcome to Stephen J. Shields, MD PA.**

Congratulations!!

You have chosen Stephen J. Shields, MD PA as your new PCP, WELCOME!!

We are requesting that you now contact our office to establish and get to meet your new physician. Dr. Stephen J. Shields is a Board Certified Internist with 36 years of experience. Denise Palazzola is a Board Certified, Masters Level, Nurse Practitioner in our community for over 15 years. Our staff has worked with Dr. Shields an average length of time of 9 years. Our office serves generations of families and patients, from 14 years to 104 years of age.

Our goal and desire is to help you achieve YOUR BEST HEALTH possible. To do that, we need for you to assist us and establish with our office.

Please contact our office at 727-466-6564 and we will gladly make your initial visit. If you have made your appointment already, we look forward to assisting you in your BEST HEALTH!

We look forward to serving you as your PCP and for many years to come.

Please feel free to check out our website and speak with our staff to help you with access to your medical records 24/7. [www.shieldsmd.com](http://www.shieldsmd.com)

Should you have any questions, Please feel free to contact my staff at 727-466-6564.

**Team Shields Welcomes You!**

Sincerely,  
Stephen J. Shields, MD  
Denise Palazzola, MS, ANP-BC

**New Patient Information- Welcome to the Office of Stephen J. Shields, MD, PA.**

Patient's Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

S.S. # \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Sex  M  F

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone : \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Pharmacy Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status  S  M  W  D  Sep Language: English, other \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Northern Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Name/ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency-Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Emergency Contact ( In case primary contact cannot be reached)\*\*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Can our office release medical information to above contact? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Our office accepts Medicare and most commercial insurances. If we are part of your insurance network, we will gladly submit your claim to your insurance carrier and/or secondary insurance carrier. Patients are responsible for any services not covered by their insurance carrier. **Copayments are due at the time of service. Failure to pay copay at time of service may incur monthly finance charges/collection/legal costs.**

Primary Insurance \_\_\_\_\_ Effective \_\_\_\_\_

Member ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Group # \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Insurance \_\_\_\_\_ Effective \_\_\_\_\_

Member ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Group # \_\_\_\_\_

Responsible party for services: Self, Other \_\_\_\_\_

**For your convenience, we accept Visa, Mastercard, American Express and Discovery Cards.**

**Insurance Authorization and Assignment**

I request that payment of authorized Medicare/Other Insurance company benefits be made either to me or on my behalf to Stephen J. Shields MD,PA for any services furnished me by that physician. Regulations pertaining to Medicare assignment of benefits apply. I authorize any holder of medical or other information about me to release to the Social Security Administration and Health Care Financing Administration or its intermediaries or carriers any information needed for this or a related Medicare claim/other Insurance Company claim. I permit a copy of this authorization to be used in place of the original, and request payment of medical insurance benefits either to myself or to the party who accepts assignment. I understand that it is mandatory to notify the health care provider of any other party who may be responsible for paying for my treatment. (Section 1128B of the Social Security Act and 31 U.S.C. 3801-3812 provides penalties for withholding this information.)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE

Reason for Visit				
FAMILY HISTORY IF ANY BLOOD RELATIVES HAS SUFFERED ANY OF THE FOLLOWING - PLEASE CIRCLE THE NUMBER AND INDICATE WHICH RELATIVE				
1) EPILEPSY	6) THYROID	11) OSTEOPOROSIS	16) HIGH CHOLESTEROL	
2) MIGRAINE	7) HAYFEVER	12) ARTHRITIS	17) ALCOHOLISM	
3) MENTAL ILL.	8) ASTHEMA	13) HEART DISEASE	18) CANCER	
4) GLAUCOMA	9) ANEMIA	14) STROKE	19)	
5) DIABETES	10) BLEEDS EASILY	15) HYPERTENSION	20)	
HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS <i>not including pregnancies</i>	YEAR	ILLNESS OR OPERATION	YEAR	ILLNESS OR OPERATION
LIST ALL MEDICATIONS YOU ARE CURRENTLY TAKING -		including over the counter medications	ALLERGIES	VACCINE year      TEST/EXAM year
				TETANUS / Td :      RECTAL/STOOL:
				INFLUENZA (FLU):      CHOLESTEROL:
				PNEUMONIA:      EYE:
				HEPATITUS:
				TUBERCULOSIS:
Medical History	Mark (C) for current Problem, Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and indicate age when you had any of the following symptoms or diseases.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Decreased Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/> Heartburn	<input type="checkbox"/> Peptic Ulcer	<input type="checkbox"/> Numbness / Tingling	Males - <input type="checkbox"/> Prostate <input type="checkbox"/> PSA Test
<input type="checkbox"/> Ringing in Ears	<input type="checkbox"/> Persistant Nausea / Vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/> Abdominal Pain - Chronic	<input type="checkbox"/> Headaches - Frequent	Females - Please Complete
<input type="checkbox"/> Ear Infections - Frequent	<input type="checkbox"/> Gall Bladder Trouble	<input type="checkbox"/> Jaundice / Hepatitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis /Rheumatism	Menstrual Flow:
<input type="checkbox"/> Dizzy Spells <input type="checkbox"/> Fainting Spells	<input type="checkbox"/> Change in Bowel Habits	<input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea <input type="checkbox"/> Constipation	<input type="checkbox"/> Back Pain - Recurrent	<input type="checkbox"/> Reg <input type="checkbox"/> Irreg. <input type="checkbox"/> Pain/cramps
<input type="checkbox"/> Failing Vision <input type="checkbox"/> Eye Pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Hemorrhoids <input type="checkbox"/> Hernia	<input type="checkbox"/> Urine Infections - Frequent	<input type="checkbox"/> Bone Fractures / Joint Injury	Days of Flow ____ Length of Cycle ____
<input type="checkbox"/> Double or Blurred Vision	<input type="checkbox"/> Blood in Urine <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney Stones	<input type="checkbox"/> Blood in Urine <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney Stones	<input type="checkbox"/> Gout <input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis	Date - 1st day of last period ____
<input type="checkbox"/> Eye Infections -Frequent	Urination - <input type="checkbox"/> Overnight > than twice	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of Control	<input type="checkbox"/> Foot Pain <input type="checkbox"/> Cold Numb Feet	<input type="checkbox"/> Pain / Bleeding during or after sex
<input type="checkbox"/> Nose Bleeds - Recurrent	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease in Force / Flow	<input type="checkbox"/> Venereal Disease	<input type="checkbox"/> Rashs <input type="checkbox"/> Hives	Number of:
<input type="checkbox"/> Sinus Trouble	<input type="checkbox"/> Urethral Discharge	<input type="checkbox"/> Chronic Fatigue	<input type="checkbox"/> Psoriasis <input type="checkbox"/> Eczema	Pregnancies ____ Abortions ____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sore Throats - Frequent	<input type="checkbox"/> Weight Loss - Recent	<input type="checkbox"/> Weight Loss - Recent	<input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping - Difficulty	Miscarriages ____ Live Births ____
<input type="checkbox"/> Hayfever /Allergies	<input type="checkbox"/> Anemia <input type="checkbox"/> Bruise Easily	<input type="checkbox"/> Anemia <input type="checkbox"/> Bruise Easily	<input type="checkbox"/> Depression <input type="checkbox"/> Nervousness	Birth Control Method
<input type="checkbox"/> Hoarseness - Prolonged	<input type="checkbox"/> Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid Disease	<input type="checkbox"/> Memory Loss	B.C. Pill (name)
<input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia / Pleurisy	<input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid Disease	<input type="checkbox"/> Seizures <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke	<input type="checkbox"/> Moodiness - Excessive	<input type="checkbox"/> Flushing / Menopause
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronchitis / Chronic Cough	<input type="checkbox"/> Tremors / Hands Shaking	<input type="checkbox"/> Muscle Weakness	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental illness <input type="checkbox"/> Phobias	Date of last PAP Test ____
<input type="checkbox"/> Asthma / Wheezing	<input type="checkbox"/> Muscle Weakness		<input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatic Fever <input type="checkbox"/> Polio	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal
<input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of Breath:			<input type="checkbox"/> Scarlet Fever <input type="checkbox"/> Mumps	Date of last Mammogram ____
<input type="checkbox"/> on Exersion <input type="checkbox"/> lying Flat			<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Pox <input type="checkbox"/> Measles	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal
<input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain			<input type="checkbox"/> German Measles <input type="checkbox"/> Ierpes	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Blood Pressure			<input type="checkbox"/> Tuberculosis	
<input type="checkbox"/> Heart Murmur <input type="checkbox"/> Swollen Ankles			<input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol ____ oz per week	
<input type="checkbox"/> Irregular Pulse <input type="checkbox"/> Palpitations			<input type="checkbox"/> Smoking ____ cig/day	
<input type="checkbox"/> Leg Pain - When Walking			# yrs ____ Yr Quit ____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Vericose Veins / Phlebitis			<input type="checkbox"/> Coffee / Tea ____ cups/day	
<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of Appetite - Recent			<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Exercise	
<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty Swallowing				

Patient Name:

Date:

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**PF-300 Standard Authorization of Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information**

Your protected health information will be used by Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A. or disclosed to others for the purposes of treatment, obtaining payment, or supporting the day-to-day health care operations of the practice.

**Information to be used or disclosed:**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office Notes            | <input type="checkbox"/> Radiology Reports               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory Findings     | <input type="checkbox"/> Medication List                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AIDS/HIV Reports        | <input type="checkbox"/> Vital Statistics                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EKG's                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital Reports                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demographic Information | <input type="checkbox"/> Specialists' Consultation Notes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Information   |  |

**Persons authorized to use or disclose information:**

Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A.

**Expiration Date of Authorization:**

This is an open-ended authorization until revoked in writing by the patient.

**Right to Terminate or Revoke Authorization:**

You may revoke or terminate this authorization by submitting a written revocation to Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A. Attention: Office Manager. Any use or disclosure that has already occurred prior to the date on which your revocation of consent is received will not be affected.

**Potential for Re-disclosure:**

Information that is disclosed under this authorization may be disclosed again by the person or organization to which it is sent. The privacy of this information may not be protected under the federal privacy regulations.

**I understand that by refusing to sign this consent or revoking this consent, Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A. may refuse to treat me as permitted by Section 164.506 of the Code of Federal Regulations. I further understand that Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A. reserves the right to change their notice of practices with notification prior to implementation in accordance with Section 164.5200 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Should Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A. change their notice, they will send a copy of any revised notice to the address I have provided.**

**Name of Patient (Print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Patient** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**PF-2000 Consent to Use and Disclose Protected Health Information** Effective April 1, 2003

**Use and Disclosure of Your Protected Health Information**

Your protected health information will be used by Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A. or disclosed to others for the purposes of treatment, obtaining payment, law enforcement, public health reporting or supporting the day-to-day health care operations of the practice.

**Notice of Privacy Practices**

You should review the Notice of Privacy Practices for a more complete description of how your protected health information may be used or disclosed. You may review the notice prior to signing this consent.

**Requesting a Restriction on the Use or Disclosure of Your Information**

You may request a restriction on the use or disclosure of your protected health information by making a request in writing to Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A. Stephen Shields, M.D., P.A. may or may not agree to restrict the use or disclosure of your protected health information. If Stephen Shields, M.D., P.A. agrees to your request, the restrictions will be binding on the practice. Use or disclosure of protected information in violation of an agreed upon restriction will be a violation of the federal privacy standards.

**Revocation of Consent**

You may revoke this consent to the use and disclosure of your protected health information. You must revoke this consent in writing. Any use or disclosure that has already occurred prior to the date on which your revocation of consent is received will not be affected.

**Reservation of Right to Change Privacy Practices**

Stephen Shields, M.D., P.A. reserves the right to modify the privacy practices outlined in the notice.

**Request to Inspect Protected Health Information**

As permitted by federal regulation, we require that requests to inspect or copy protected health information be submitted in writing. You may obtain a form to request access to your records by contacting the Office Manager. All inspections of records will occur in our office under staff supervision.

**Complaints or Further Information**

You may address your concerns/inquiries in writing to Attention Office Manager, 1211 Reynolds Avenue, Clearwater, Florida 33756.

**I also authorize Stephen J. Shields, M.D., P.A. to leave messages on my answering machine regarding:**

- Upcoming appointment times \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)
- Laboratory and/or Radiology findings \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)
- Requests to return a call to Dr. Shields' office \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

**I have reviewed this consent form and give my permission to Stephen Shields, M.D., P.A. to use and disclose my health information in accordance with it.**

I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ as Spouse /Representative to discuss my treatment and or billing issues with Dr. Shield's office. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Patient (Print or Type)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Patient** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Signature/Relationship of Patient Representative (POA)** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Financial/Office Policy- last updated April 1, 2003**

We are pleased to serve you as your healthcare provider and are committed to your good health. Please understand that payment for our services is considered a part of your treatment and your obligation to us. The following is a statement of our Financial Policy, which we require you to read and sign prior to treatment.

**All payments due at time of service**

The office maintains a "Payment at time of service policy". It is your responsibility to arrange ahead of time the ability to pay in full at the time of your appointment. You need to know your insurance policy in advance to know the portion of your visit for which you will be responsible.

**Insurance**

Our office has made arrangements with many insurance carriers to submit your claims for you. Upon your arrival to our office and prior to your appointment, please notify us of any changes in your health care coverage that will affect our ability to submit and collect your insurance claims for you. We cannot bill your insurance company unless you give us clear and accurate insurance information. Your insurance policy is a contract between you and your insurance company- we are NOT a party to that contract. Please understand that any such claim delays or denials will become your responsibility if not collectible from your insurance carrier. Certain fees and services will not be covered by insurance and are your responsibility. These fees/services include, but are not limited to, co-payments, deductibles, non-covered services (Oximetry, Pre-Op Labs/EKG's), and collection fees. If any such services are incurred, they are due at time of service. As a courtesy to our patients we will bill to Secondary Insurance Plans.

If your insurance plan(s) does not pay the office/hospital fee(s) within 90 days, the balance will be automatically transferred to the patient's responsibility.

**Statements**

We will send a statement to you, should you have a balance with our office. If no payment is received within 30 days, an additional statement may be mailed. After three consecutive statements, we reserve the right to send your account to an outside collections agency which may affect your credit rating. There will be a \$35.00 charge for checks denied by your bank and returned to the office for any reason. We accept cash, checks, Visa, and MasterCard payments for your convenience.

**Missed Appointments**

Unless cancelled at least 24 HOURS in advance our policy is to charge the patient at the rate of \$40.00 for each missed appointment. Patients who miss 3 or more appointments may be dismissed.

**Insurance Authorizations/Referrals/Precertifications**

If your insurance company requires an authorization or a referral in order to see a specialist, it is your responsibility to notify our office ONE WEEK prior to your appointment.

**Diagnostic/Laboratory Testing**

Most lab and diagnostic test results are returned to us within 72 hours. You can expect a call from our office within one week. If you have not been contacted within this time, please call our office.

**Prescriptions**

If you require a refill on a prescription that originated from our office, please call our office 48 HOURS prior to needing the prescription refill. This will insure the doctor will have time to review and comply with your request.

**I have read and understand the Policies and Procedures as outlined above and I agree to be bound by its terms. I also understand that it may become necessary to amend these policies and will be notified at such time.**

Print Patient Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE USE OR DISCLOSURE OF HEALTH INFORMATION**

As part of your healthcare, this practice originates and maintains paper and/or electronic records describing your health history, symptoms, examinations, test results, diagnoses, treatment, any plans for future care or treatment and payment for the services or treatment we provided. We use this information to:

- Plan your care and treatment
- Communicate with other health professionals or entities who contribute to your healthcare
- Submit your diagnosis and treatment information for payment for the services or treatment provided to you

**“ONLY AS PERMITTED OR REQUIRED BY FEDERAL OR STATE LAW”, WE MAY USE YOUR PROTECTED HEALTHCARE INFORMATION TO DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- To disclose, as may be necessary, your health information (including HIV+/AIDS status, drug/alcohol abuse notes and qualified mental health notes) to other healthcare providers and healthcare entities (such as: referrals to or consultation with, other healthcare professionals, laboratories, hospitals, etc.) or to others as may be required by law or court order concerning your treatment, payment and/or healthcare.
- To request from other healthcare entities and/or healthcare providers (i.e. doctors, dentists, hospitals, labs, imaging centers, etc.) specific healthcare information we may need for planning your care and treatment.
- To submit the necessary information to your insurance company(s) for coverage verification as well as the diagnosis and treatment information to your insurance company(s), other agencies and/or individual(s) for payment of our services or treatment we provided to you.
- To leave appointment reminders or other minimum necessary information related to your healthcare or healthcare payments on an your answering machine, mobile voice mail, email or with a household family member.

Please check here if you do not want us to leave messages on your answering machine or with a household family member.

Please check here if you do not want us to leave a message on your mobile voice mail.

Please check here if you authorize us to send your healthcare information by email. Please understand that email is an unsecured medium of transmission and is potentially accessible by others. In addition to checking the box, we reserve the right to require you to send us an email authorizing transmission of your healthcare information to you by unsecured email.

- To discuss your health or payment information (only the minimum necessary in our judgment) with family members or other persons who are or may be involved with your healthcare treatment or payments.
- If you choose, please list by name and relationship the persons with whom we may share your healthcare or payment information \_\_\_\_\_

- You may request a copy of and you have the right to read our “*Notice of Patient Privacy Practices*” prior to signing this authorization. The NPP provides a more complete description of health information uses and disclosures.

**I fully understand and agree to this authorization and acknowledge the above rights and disclosures.**

Patient Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print name of person signing if other than patient

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*If other than patient is signing, are you the parent, legal guardian, legal custodian or have a **Healthcare Power of Attorney** for the patient. Yes  No  RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Patient refused to sign the form. Reason: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Consent to Share My Health Information with BayCare Electronic Health Exchange

The BayCare Electronic Health Exchange (BayCare eHX) is designed to improve your health care and make office visits easier and more convenient. Giving your consent allows all your doctors who participate in BayCare eHX to enroll you in BayCare eHX and to disclose your demographic, insurance and medical information (collectively your "health information") to BayCare eHX so that it can be shared with other providers of health care, including doctors, nurses and health professionals, and hospitals and other health care facilities. Only health care providers and authorized personnel who participate in BayCare eHX, and others whose job it is to maintain, secure, monitor and evaluate the operation of BayCare eHX, will be able to access your health information. BayCare eHX allows your providers access to your health information more quickly and accurately than paper charts.

You may use this consent form to note whether or not to allow BayCare eHX to see and obtain access to your health information in this way. This form may be filled out now or at a later date. Your choice will not affect your ability to get medical care or health insurance coverage. Your choice to give or to deny consent may not be the basis for denial of health services. However, to the extent you have denied consent, you understand that your health information will not be available to other providers on BayCare eHX for your medical treatment.

If you check the "YES" box below, you are saying "Yes, members of BayCare eHX may see and get access to all of my health information through BayCare eHX."

If you check the "NO" box below, you are saying "No, members of BayCare eHX may not see or get access to my health information through BayCare eHX for any purpose."

Read the information on the back of this form carefully before making your decision.

## Your Consent Choices

- YES, I give consent for my doctors to enroll me in BayCare eHX and for the members of BayCare eHX to access ALL of my health information as set forth in this Consent Form.
- NO, I deny consent for my doctors to enroll me in BayCare eHX and for the members of BayCare eHX to access ALL of my health information as set forth in this Consent Form.

Printed name of patient/representative

Signature of patient/representative

Date

Authority of Representative

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby state that I am authorized to sign this permission on behalf of the patient on the following basis: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to patient: \_\_\_\_\_





**Effective JANUARY 1st, 2020**

**ATTENTION ALL PATIENTS:**

**As a courtesy to our patients who need medical attention:**

**ALL NO SHOW APPOINTMENTS WITH FAILURE TO CANCEL AN APPOINTMENT WITHOUT 24-HOURS NOTICE WILL INCUR A \$40.00 MISSED APPOINTMENT FEE.**

Thank you for your understanding and courtesy,

Dr. Stephen J. Shields, MD

Denise Palazzola, ARNP

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_