

BACKWAY'S PHYSICAL THERAPY, PLLC: MEDICARE CLIENT INFORMATION FORM

Welcome to our Practice! Sorry these forms are lengthy, but they will assist us in fully evaluating your condition and establishing a meaningful treatment plan for you. Please fill them in to the best of your ability.

NAME _____ AGE _____ BIRTHDATE _____ HT _____ WT _____ SEX _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Ext _____ Cell _____

Email: _____ PROFESSION _____

MARITAL STATUS: S M W D Sep. Spouse's Name _____

YOUR SOC. SEC.# _____ - _____ - _____ SPOUSE'S SOC. SEC.# _____ - _____ - _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name: _____ Phone# _____

DOCTORS' NAMES & PHONE #

1 ST Dr.	2 ND Dr.
Phone #	Phone #

Have you received any physical therapy, speech therapy, home health care or hospice care services? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, when? _____ Please explain: _____

INSURANCE INFORMATION:

★ ★ Please be sure to bring your insurance cards and your picture ID with you. The law requires that we copy them. ★ ★

Please fill in the following information as it relates to the type of insurance we will be billing for you.

HEALTH INSURANCE: (Please write in the Insurance Co. name, but only list the other information if it differs from your Card.)

Primary Insurance Company Name:	Secondary/Supplemental Insurance Company Name:
Insured's Name:	Insured's Name:
Insured's Date of Birth:	Insured's Date of Birth:

Were you injured in an Auto Accident? ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, please fill in the following information:

AUTO INSURANCE Company Name & Address:	Phone #
	Claim #
	Claims-person:
	Place & Date of Accident:

Is an attorney involved in your case? ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, please give us the name, address & phone number:

Attorney's Name:	Phone #
Address:	City, State, zip:

PLEASE READ AND SIGN BELOW:

We believe that patients who understand and participate in their health care will achieve the best results. We respect your individuality, your rights, and your privacy, and we will give you the best care we possibly can. Please read the following financial, billing and office policies to understand what we expect from you; then sign below.

Financial Responsibilities & Payment Plans: You are responsible for paying your Medicare deductible and your co-pay/coinsurance at each visit, if not covered by your Supplemental/Secondary Insurance. If you cannot afford to pay at each visit, you will be expected to set up, and adhere to, a payment plan with Backway's Physical Therapy. Late fees may be charged on overdue account balances if you miss making regular payments. *Cash, check & credit card payments accepted. Bank-returned checks* incur a \$25 fee.

Missed appointments: If you need to cancel an appointment, let us know before 8AM of the day prior to your scheduled appointment. If you cancel late, or if you do not attend your appointment, you will be charged a missed-appointment fee.

Refusal of Service: We expect patients to keep current on their financial accounts, keep their appointments, do their "homework," and treat us respectfully. We have the right to refuse service if these expectations aren't met or if, in the therapist's opinion, our services won't benefit you or are not medically necessary.

****I have read and understand the financial, billing & office protocol information presented above. I hereby consent to treatment by Backway's Physical Therapy, PLLC.

Signed _____ Date _____

BACKWAY'S PHYSICAL THERAPY, PLLC: Initial Appointment Questionnaire: Present Problems

*It is important that you inform us of **ALL** medical/health conditions at your first appointment, and immediately inform us of any changes in your medical/health condition during your course of treatment.*

*Please answer these questions to the best of your ability. **If something is confusing, leave it blank.***

Information About What Brought You Here:

How did you hear about our services? _____

What are the main symptoms that bring you to Physical Therapy today? _____

Onset: When did your symptoms begin (most recent flare-up)? _____

Was the onset sudden, due to an accident/activity, or was the onset gradual? _____

Tests: What diagnostic tests have been performed for your problem (MRI, x-ray, CT) and what are the results? _____

Previous Treatment: Have you had any **non-PT** treatment for these symptoms? Yes _____ No _____

If "yes," please describe _____

Have you had any previous **Physical Therapy** treatment for these symptoms? Yes _____ No _____

If "yes," please describe _____

Other Services: Have you received any **physical therapy, speech therapy, home health or hospice care services in the past year?** Yes _____ No _____ If yes, when? _____

Please explain: _____

Aggravating Factors: What activities make your symptoms worse? _____

Easing Factors: What makes your symptoms better? _____

Self-care: What are you currently doing for self-care of your symptoms? _____

Previous Level of Function: What were you able to do before these symptoms began that you cannot do now? _____

What limits do you have to set on your normal activities due to this problem?

Activity	Any time limits?	Any special modifications?	
Sitting			
Move Sitting to Standing			
Sleeping			
Move Lying to Sitting			
Working			
Computer use			use <input type="checkbox"/> Laptop? <input type="checkbox"/> Desktop?
Phone use			use headset Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Reading			use Bifocals Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Sports or Fitness			
Driving			<input type="checkbox"/> Automatic? <input type="checkbox"/> Manual?
Recreation (list):			







Goals: What results do you want from Physical Therapy? _____

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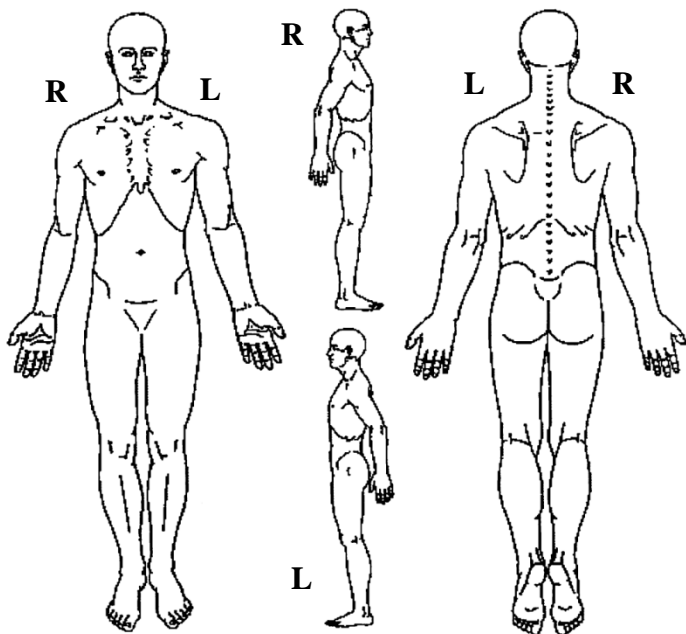
Backway's Physical Therapy Initial Appointment Questionnaire: "0-9" Pain Scale

Please use the following information when rating your pain and answering questions regarding your problem.

Draw an "X" on the vertical line to indicate the intensity of your pain.

 <p>"0" No Pain</p>	<p>None</p>  <p>Severe</p>	<p>Mild Pain: Pain does not interfere with most activities. You may use medication or devices such as cushions.</p> <p>1....Vague Discomfort: Very light, barely noticeable pain.</p> <p>2....Minor pain: like lightly pinching the webbed tissue at thumb</p> <p>3....Uncomfortable but Tolerable: Very noticeable pain, like a cut, or an injection, which you can ignore after a while.</p>
 <p>Mild 1-2-3</p>		<p>Moderate Pain: Pain interferes with many activities & requires lifestyle changes but you remain independent and functional.</p> <p>4....Annoying: Medium, deep pain, like a toothache or stubbed toe, can't be ignored. You do many activities, but w/pain.</p> <p>5....Very Uncomfortable: Noticeable pain all the time; you're preoccupied w/managing it; normal lifestyle curtailed.</p>
 <p>Moderate 4-5</p>		<p>Intense Pain: Pain interferes with your job or normal interactions. You require some assistance to function.</p> <p>6....Distressing or Intense: Strong pain dominates your thoughts; thinking is sluggish. Work & social life are curtailed.</p> <p>7....Very Intense: Strong pain causes you to think unclearly 50% of the time. You're partly disabled and need help @ home.</p>
 <p>Intense 6-7</p>		<p>Severe: You are unable to engage in normal activities. You find yourself disabled and unable to function independently.</p> <p>8....Excruciating: Due to the pain, you no longer think clearly; there is no joy in life, and you are willing to take painkillers or have surgery, no matter what the risks.</p> <p>9....Intolerable or Unbearable: You feel like you're going to pass out. You consider going to the emergency room.</p>
 <p>Severe 8-9</p>		

Please indicate, on the figures below, the area(s) in which you are experiencing symptoms:



Also, please list your most painful areas below in (1), (2), (3) and then rate each area's pain levels using the 0-9 scale above:

- (1) _____
 Lowest pain level in past week: ____
 Highest pain level in past week: ____
 Usual pain level during a normal day: ____
 % of time at highest pain level: ____
- (2) _____
 Lowest pain level in past week: ____
 Highest pain level in past week: ____
 Usual pain level during a normal day: ____
 % of time at highest pain level: ____
- (3) _____
 Lowest pain level in past week: ____
 Highest pain level in past week: ____
 Usual pain level during a normal day: ____
 % of time at highest pain level: ____

What % of time are you free of pain? ____%

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Backway's PT: Initial Appointment Questionnaire: Modified Oswestry Disability Questionnaire

This questionnaire helps us to understand how much your pain affects your ability to perform everyday activities.

Please check **the one box in each section** that **most** clearly describes your problem **RIGHT NOW**.

SECTION 1: Overall Pain Intensity

- ☐ The pain is very mild and comes and goes.
- ☐ The pain is mild and does not vary much.
- ☐ The pain is moderate and comes and goes.
- ☐ The pain is moderate and does not vary much.
- ☐ The pain is severe and comes and goes.
- ☐ The pain is severe and does not vary much.

SECTION 2: Personal Care (washing, dressing, etc.)

- ☐ I do not have to change the way I wash and dress myself in order to avoid pain.
- ☐ I do not normally change the way I wash or dress myself even though it causes some pain.
- ☐ Washing and dressing increases my pain, but I can do it without changing my way of doing it.
- ☐ Washing and dressing increases my pain, and I find it necessary to change the way I do it.
- ☐ Because of the pain, I am partially unable to wash and dress without help.
- ☐ Because of the pain, I am completely unable to wash or dress without help.

SECTION 3: Lifting

- ☐ I can lift heavy weights without increased pain.
- ☐ I can lift heavy weights but it causes increased pain.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from lifting heavy weights off the floor but I can manage if they're conveniently positioned (example: on a table, etc.).
- ☐ Pain prevents me from lifting heavy items. I can manage light-medium weights if they're conveniently positioned.
- ☐ I can only lift very light weights.
- ☐ I cannot lift or carry anything at all.

SECTION 4: Walking

- ☐ I have no pain when walking.
- ☐ I have some pain when walking but I can still walk my required normal distances.
- ☐ I cannot walk more than one mile without increasing pain.
- ☐ I cannot walk more than ½ mile without increasing pain.
- ☐ I cannot walk more than ¼ mile without increasing pain.
- ☐ I cannot walk at all without increasing pain.

SECTION 5: Sitting

- ☐ I can sit in any chair as long as I like without pain.
- ☐ I can sit only in my favorite chair as long as I like.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from sitting more than 1 hour.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from sitting more than ½ hour.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from sitting for more than 10 minutes.
- ☐ I avoid sitting because it increases pain immediately.

SECTION 6: Standing

- ☐ I can stand as long as I want without pain.
- ☐ I can stand as long as I want but some pain develops.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from standing more than 1 hour.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from standing more than ½ hour.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from standing more than 10 minutes.
- ☐ I avoid standing because it increases my pain immediately.

SECTION 7: Sleeping

- ☐ I have no pain while in bed.
- ☐ I get pain in bed but it does not prevent me from sleeping well.
- ☐ Because of pain, I sleep only ¾ of my normal time.
- ☐ Because of pain, I sleep only ½ of my normal time.
- ☐ Because of pain, I sleep only ¼ of my normal time.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from sleeping at all.

SECTION 8: Social Life / Recreation

- ☐ My social/recreation activities are normal and without pain.
- ☐ My social/recreation activities are normal, but increase the degree of pain.
- ☐ Pain has little effect on my social/recreation activities except limiting more energetic interests, e.g. dancing, etc.
- ☐ Pain restricts my social/recreation activities and I do not go out very often.
- ☐ Pain restricts my social/recreation activities to my home.
- ☐ I have hardly any social/recreation life because of pain.

SECTION 9: Traveling / Driving

- ☐ I can travel/drive without increased pain.
- ☐ I can travel/drive unrestricted, but it increases my pain.
- ☐ My pain restricts travel/drives of over 2 hours.
- ☐ My pain restricts my travel/drives of over 1 hour.
- ☐ My pain restricts my travel/driving to short necessary journeys under ½ hour.
- ☐ Pain prevents all forms of travel except that done lying down, or for visits to the doctor, therapist or hospital.

SECTION 10: Employment / Homemaking

- ☐ My normal job/homemaking duties do not cause pain.
- ☐ My normal job/homemaking duties increase my pain, but I can still perform all that is required of me.
- ☐ I can perform most of my job/homemaking duties, but pain prevents me from performing more physically stressful activities like lifting, vacuuming, etc.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from doing anything but light duties.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from doing even light duties.
- ☐ Pain prevents me from performing any job or homemaking chores.

(for therapist's use only)

DI Score _____%

Backway's PT Initial Appointment Questionnaire: Health History Questionnaire

Please give names of all other Health Care Professionals you are seeing (Massage, Psychologist, Chiropractor, Acupuncture, etc.):

"Substance" Use	Never	Rarely	Daily	Current use: how much?	Past use:
Alcohol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____ drinks/day	not in _____ wks/months/ys
Tobacco	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____ packs/day	not in _____ wks/months/ys
Recreational Drugs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Explain:	not in _____ wks/months/ys

Please indicate if you now have, or in the past had, any of the following (check all that apply):

<p><u>Nervous System</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Head / Brain Injury</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stroke</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> TIA's</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> MS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Parkinson's</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Peripheral Neuropathy</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Epilepsy / Seizure Disorder</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> other Neurologic problems (<i>list</i>)</p>	<p><u>Respiratory System</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Asthma</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emphysema or COPD</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sinus surgeries</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deviated Septum</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Allergies</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> other Lung problems (<i>list</i>)</p>	<p><u>Digestive & Eliminary</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> IBS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Frequent Loose Stools</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Frequent Constipation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Discomfort following meals</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hiatal Hernia</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Disordered Eating</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Kidney Disease</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Liver Disease</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Urinary Incontinence</p>
<p><u>Endocrine & Immune System</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> AIDS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> HIV positive</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis A B C (circle)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes Type 1 or 2 (circle)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid Imbalance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Low Blood Sugar</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cancer</p> <p><i>Please describe:</i></p> <hr/> <p><u>Cardiac / Circulation System</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Heart Attack</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Angina or Chest Pain</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Irregular Heart Rhythm</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stents placed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Bypass Surgery</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Heart Failure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pacemaker or Defibrillator</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aneurism</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Blood Clot</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding / Bruising tendency</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Neck, arm, jaw or upper back pain with exertion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> High Blood Pressure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> High Cholesterol</p>	<p><u>Musculoskeletal & Connective Tissue Conditions</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Osteoarthritis</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Spinal Stenosis</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Spondylolisthesis</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Herniated Disc Neck</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Herniated Disc Low Back</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis or Osteopenia</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Compression Fractures</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stress Fracture</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Carpal Tunnel Syndrome</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Thoracic Outlet Syndrome</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatoid Arthritis</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lupus</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Gout</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fibromyalgia</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Migraine</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Frequent Headaches</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> TMJ</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Teeth Grinding</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: (<i>list</i>)</p>	<p><u>Traumas (please note year)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Whiplash</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fractures / broken bones (<i>list</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Dislocations _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ligament Tear _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Meniscus Tear _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Bad Sprains (<i>list</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle Accident(s)</p> <p>1) When? _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Driver <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Injured: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">If yes, what _____</p> <p>2) When? _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Driver <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Injured: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">If yes, what _____</p> <p>3) When? _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Driver <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Injured: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">If yes, what _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: (<i>list</i>)</p>

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Backway's PT: Health History continued

<p><u>General Challenges</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Falls. If yes, are they frequent (more than 2 in a year)? <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of Breath <input type="checkbox"/> on exertion <input type="checkbox"/> lying flat</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Balance Disturbance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Anemia</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Memory Loss</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Loss</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Vision Loss</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sleep Apnea</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Insomnia</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Unusual Fatigue</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alcoholism</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse (current or in recovery)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Clinical Depression</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mental or Emotional disorders or difficulties</p> <p><i>Please Explain:</i></p>	<p><u>Surgeries</u> <i>Please list <u>all</u> surgical procedures with approximate dates <u>or</u> your age at the time (include metal & plastic implants, joint replacements, cosmetic & reconstructive surgeries, etc.)</i></p>	<p><u>Other Illnesses, Accidents & Hospitalizations</u></p> <p><i>List, if <u>not</u> included elsewhere:</i></p>
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Please list any other information regarding your medical or health history that you believe we should know:

Please look over this Initial Questionnaire form carefully & be sure it is complete.

Providing incorrect information can be dangerous to your health.

Please Note: Your Therapist has the right to dismiss from treatment any patient who intentionally withholds pertinent medical / health information.

Thank you for providing this information for us. Please remember to immediately inform us of any changes in your medical/health condition during your course of treatment.

The following forms will tell us about your medications, your insurance & contact information. They ask you for your signatures to give us permissions for billing, treatment, and communication purposes; and to indicate you understand how Medicare, our billing, and the Privacy Act (HIPAA) work.

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Backway's Physical Therapy, PLLC (BPT) AUTHORIZATIONS & CONSENTS FORM

You have the right to revoke the following authorizations, unless we have already taken action relying on the authorization. Requests to revoke any authorizations must be made in writing. _____ (please initial)

Optional: Consent for Use of Information for Presentations, Research and/or Publications (optional)

I grant permission, now and in future, to BPT, or their duly appointed representative, to use my records, or those of my dependent, for other consultations and for professional education, research and publications, **providing reasonable precautions are taken to guard against the disclosure of the client's identity.** My signing of this authorization is **not** a condition to receive treatment by BPT personnel.

Optional Signature _____ Date _____

All Authorizations below are Mandatory:

Authorization for release of information to Insurance Company & for payment from Insurance:

I authorize the staff of BPT to release information acquired in the course of my evaluation and treatment to my insurance company as needed to determine the benefits payable for the related service; and I request that any payment of authorized insurance benefits be made on my behalf to BPT, at their business address, for all services furnished that were not paid in full by me at the time services were rendered. (____ initials)

Authorization for "Signature on File:" I authorize the staff of BPT to submit completed claim forms to my insurance company using the notation "signature on file" to indicate that I have signed this Authorization Form. This signature is valid for claims resulting for this and future services provided to me by BPT. (____ initials)

Financial Responsibility. I understand that I am responsible **for paying** deductible, co-pay and/or coinsurance. *Cash, check & credit card payments are accepted.* (____ initials)

Authorization to leave Messages: In the event that BPT cannot speak to me in person regarding appointments or evaluation results, I give permission to BPT to contact me and leave a message on *(check all that apply):*

Answering Machine _____ Cell Phone _____ or other location _____ (____ initials)

Consent for Mutual Exchange of Information: I authorize the mutual exchange of information regarding myself, or my dependent, between the BPT staff members, and all professional practitioners involved in my healthcare, (i.e. doctor, chiropractor, counselor, etc.). BPT may also talk with the non-practitioner persons listed below about my health information: _____ ➔ (____ initials)

<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse	Name:	phone#:
<input type="checkbox"/> Child	Name:	phone#:
<input type="checkbox"/> Parent	Name:	phone#:
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Name:	phone#:
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Name:	phone#:

Consent for Treatment: I hereby authorize the professional staff of BPT to evaluate and treat me or my dependent. During the course of evaluation and treatment, I authorize the licensed personnel at BPT to use any and all techniques they have been trained to use, which they believe will benefit me, in order to help me recover. I have the right to refuse a specific technique or form of treatment, if I so choose. (____ initials)

Receipt of HIPAA Patient Privacy Notice: My signature below indicates that I have received the HIPAA Patient Privacy Notice. I consent to your use and disclosure of protected health information about me for treatment, payment, health care operations, and/or as required by law and by HIPAA. (____ initials)

➔ Patient's/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

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2020 Medicare Coverage for Physical Therapy Services

As a Participating Provider, Backway's PT is committed to giving you the best care possible under your Medicare benefits, and assisting you by billing Medicare and your secondary insurer. Medicare regulations change often and the following is an attempt to inform you of your current coverage and our/your responsibilities when using your benefits.

In 2020, **Medicare coverage** for Physical Therapy (PT) services, provided through any outpatient clinic, are subject to the following regulations:

1. **Doctor's Order is required:** A medical Rx, from a MD, DO, PA or NP, is required to receive PT, OT or ST.
2. **Medically Necessary Services:** Even if your doctor wants to you have PT, OT or ST, **Medicare requires that:**
 - You fill out special forms for the therapist, giving a full listing of your medications, your medical/health history, your pain levels & pain diagram (for PT), and your current functional abilities or limitations.
 - An evaluation be performed by the therapist and a report, called the Plan of Care, be sent to your physician, verifying that therapy services are medically needed, setting goals for your recovery and a plan to reach the goals.
 - Your doctor must agree to/sign the Plan within 30 days; and it must be renewed at least every 90 days.
3. **Calendar Year Threshold Limitations:**

Each Medicare patient may receive **\$2080** worth of combined PT and ST services during 2020.

 - This is known as the Yearly Monetary Threshold and is legislated & modified by Congress each year.
 - **\$2080 worth of services** is equal to approximately 16-18 one-hour Physical and/or Speech Therapy visits. This includes your initial evaluation, at least one reevaluation, and ongoing treatments.

*****Ask our office staff for information regarding your account nearing the Threshold.*****
4. **Over-Threshold Medicare Benefits:**

Medicare knows that some patients need more therapy than the \$2080 Threshold allows, so they set up an Over-Threshold Program. This Program allows for PT & ST services over the \$2080 per year in special cases or for certain limited diagnoses. If your PT sees that your condition requires additional medically necessary treatments, you may be eligible for extended treatment. Check with your therapist for more information.
5. **Non-covered or Dis-allowed Charges:**
 - **Although we do our best** to only provide and bill for services that Medicare covers, Medicare does have the right to deny payment for any services you receive from any provider. We'll let you know **in advance** if we plan to provide services to you that we know Medicare won't allow, so you may decide about receiving them. However, very rarely a portion or all of the services you receive may not be covered by Medicare. If this occurs, then you will be responsible for those charges.
 - **Supplies/Maintenance:** Medicare does not pay for supplies, orthotics, heel lifts or many 'maintenance' services.
 - **Services above the Threshold:** If, after using all of your allotted \$2080, you still feel you need PT/ST or OT, but your condition doesn't qualify for the Over-Threshold Program, you can pay privately for your services at our clinic or another facility.
6. **Billing Medicare and Medicare Explanations of Benefits:**

We will bill Medicare and your secondary/supplemental insurance for the services we provide to you. If services above \$2080 are billed to Medicare, they will, at first, refuse payment for these services. **If** you qualify for the Over-Threshold Program, we re-bill Medicare using a special code (modifier). Medicare will then reprocess these claims.

I have read the above information, and understand that my Physical/Speech Therapy services are subject to a Yearly Threshold of \$2080; and that this Threshold may be extended if my treatment is considered medically necessary by my physical therapist.

I have informed Backway's PT if I have received any other PT and/or SLP services in 2020, prior to starting treatment at their clinic, and I know I can ask the office staff for updates regarding my account nearing the Threshold.

I understand that I may personally be responsible for payment of services provided to me above the Threshold.

Signed _____ Date _____

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