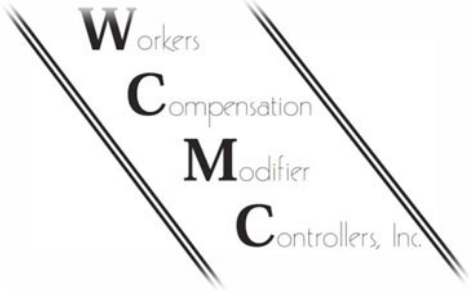


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EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT

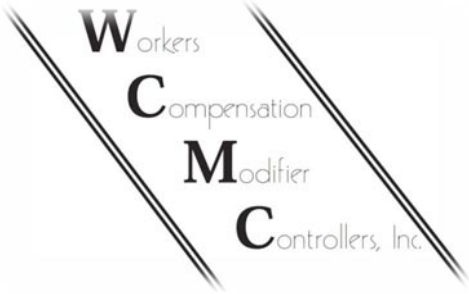
TO:

RE:

SSN:

Please give Meridian Services and/or its agent WORKERS COMPENSATION MODIFIER CONTROLLER, INC., and/or _____ any and all information with respect to my employment with your company. This includes the examination of any and all of my personnel, attendance, sick leave, vacation days, wage records, employment application, and job descriptions and the copying thereof. I am willing that a photocopy of this Employment Authorization and Consent be accepted with the same authority as the original.

EMPLOYEE to sign



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**AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT TO RELEASE
INSURANCE RECORDS AND INFORMATION**

To:

Claimant:

SSN:

Insured:

Claim No:

I, the undersigned, agree to allow Meridian Services and or its agent Workers' Compensation Modifier Controllers, Inc (WCMC) or any of their agents to review and photocopy any and all information contained in the claim file of the insurance company set forth above, including all payments made under said policy, re-release of any medical records, reports, letters and opinions from any and all medical or chiropractic providers, all statements of parties or witnesses, signed or unsigned, typed, handwritten or audio recorded, pleadings, State Workers' Compensation Forms, and discovery documents. This authorization will be good for a period of one (1) year from the date hereof. Furthermore, I agree that a photocopy of this authorization will have the same force and effect as the original.

EMPLOYEE to sign

NOTE: WCMC is excluded from the definition of "health plan" in the privacy rules developed pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and is not a covered entity. However, this authorization meets the core elements set forth in the HIPAA privacy rule, Section 164.508 (c).

PATIENT AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

TO: **RE:**
DOB:

This is your full and sufficient authorization, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 144.291 - 144.298, to release to:

WCMC, Inc.
7447 Fourth Street North
Oakdale, MN 55128

Meridian Services/Zenith Services/
Orion Associates
9400 Golden Valley Rd Golden Valley,
MN 55427

their representatives or employee, all medical information (including but not limited to that which involves treatment for alcohol or drug abuse, sickle cell anemia, or mental problems) maintained while I was a patient at your facility on any date, including: Physical Exam/Laboratory Data, History, Psychological Evaluation/MMPI, Psychiatric Evaluation, psychotherapy records, Medical Progress Notes, X-ray Reports, films, radiology studies, Continuum of Care Plan, or any other type of medical record, with the following exceptions:

_____.

This information is needed for the purpose of: **WORKERS' COMPENSATION LITIGATION.**

This authorization specifically includes records prepared prior to the date of this authorization and records prepared after the date of this authorization during the pendency of this proceeding (including claims and potential claims). I understand that protected health information to be disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be subject to re-disclosure by the recipient and there may be a loss of protection under the Federal privacy rule or HIPAA.

I understand that I may revoke this consent in writing at any time, but that such revocation may adversely affect the course of the proceeding requiring these records and that revocation will not have any effect on the information released prior to notification of revocation. Upon the fulfillment of the above-stated purpose, this consent will automatically expire without my express revocation. A photocopy of this authorization will be treated in the same manner as an original. Conversations by the bearer of this authorization with physicians, however, are/are not (**strike one**) authorized by this release form.

HIPAA privacy rules specifically allow covered entities to disclose protected health information as authorized and to the extent necessary to comply with law relating to workers' compensation programs. See 45 CFR 164.512 (1).

Date

Signature of Patient/Guardian

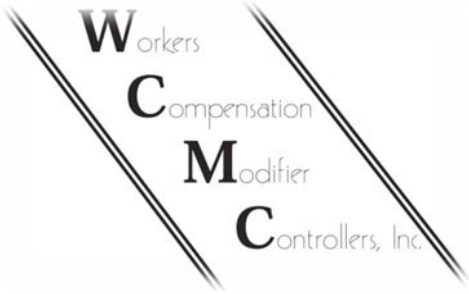
Relationship to Patient

Reason Patient is Unable to Sign

I verify that the proceeding requiring this information is still pending and that information provided pursuant to this authorization will not be re-released for purposes not related to this proceeding. The patient's treatment, payment, enrollment or eligibility of benefits may not be conditioned on executing this authorization.

Signature of Party Requesting Information Date

ATTENTION PUBLIC FACILITIES: **Minnesota Statute § 13.05 requires automatic expiration of this authorization one year from the date of authorization.** Form approved by Minnesota State Medical Association, Minnesota State Hospital Association, Minnesota State Bar Association, and Minnesota Association of Hospital Attorneys.



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**AUTHORIZATION FOR FILE REVIEW OR RELEASE OF COPIES OF WORKERS'
COMPENSATION CLAIMS FILE**

EMPLOYEE:

SSN:

DOI: ANY AND ALL

I hereby authorize, Meridian Services and/or its agent WORKERS COMPENSATION MODIFIER CONTROLLERS, INC., or their representative, _____, to review and/or obtain copies of any or all parts of the Minnesota workers' compensation claim file(s), for the date(s) of injury as indicated.

Information concerning disability may not be used to make a job decision unless state or federal law requires use of this information. Any use or distribution of this information beyond that authorized by the subject of this data unless authorized by state or federal law is prohibited. Questions concerning use of disability information may be directed to the Minnesota Department of Human Rights at (612) 296-5663 or toll-free in greater Minnesota at 1-800-652-9747.

EMPLOYEE to sign



Minnesota Workers' Compensation Employee rights and responsibilities

This notice is required by law to be posted in a conspicuous location wherever the employer is engaged in business.

If you are injured:

- Report any injury to your supervisor as soon as possible, no matter how minor it may appear. You may lose the right to workers' compensation benefits if you do not timely report the injury to your employer. The time limit may be as short as 14 days, although under certain circumstances, it may be longer.
- Provide your employer with as much information as possible about your injury so that a proper injury report can be filed.
- Get any necessary medical treatment as soon as possible. If you are not covered by a certified managed care organization (CMCO), you may treat with a doctor of your choice. Your employer must notify you if you are covered by a CMCO.
- Cooperate with all requests for information concerning your workers' compensation claim. Please note: the law provides that the workers' compensation insurer can obtain medical information specific to your work injury without your authorization, provided you are sent written notification of this request at the time the request is made.
- Get written confirmation from your doctor on any authorization to be off work.

What does workers' compensation pay for?

- Medical care for your work injury, as long as it is reasonable and necessary;
- Wage-loss benefits for part of your lost income (there is a three-calendar-day waiting period before these benefits start);
- Compensation for permanent damage to or loss of function of a body part;
- Benefits to your spouse and/or dependents if you die as a result of a work injury;
- Vocational rehabilitation services if you cannot return to your pre-injury job or to your pre-injury employer due to your work injury.

What the insurance company must do:

- Investigate your claim promptly;
- Within 14 days of when the claimed injury occurred or when your employer became aware of it, either begin payment of benefits due or file a denial of liability, explaining why benefits are being denied.

Insurer name:

Phone number:

If the insurer *accepts* your claim for wage-loss benefits and you have been disabled for more than three calendar-days:

- The insurer will send you a copy of the *Notice of Insurer's Primary Liability Determination* form stating your claim is accepted.
- The insurer must start paying wage-loss benefits within 14 days of the date your employer knows about your work injury and lost wages. The insurer must pay benefits on time. Wage-loss benefits are paid at the same intervals as your work paychecks.

If the insurer *denies* your claim for wage-loss benefits:

- The insurer will send you a copy of the *Notice of Insurer's Primary Liability Determination* form stating it is denying primary liability for your claim. The form must clearly explain the facts and reasons why the insurer believes your injury or illness did not result from your work.
- If you disagree with the denial, you should talk with the insurance claims adjuster who is handling your claim. Your employer's insurance company can answer most questions about your claim.
- If you are not satisfied with the response you receive from the insurer and still disagree with the denial, you should contact the Department of Labor and Industry at one of the numbers listed below to discuss your options.

Fraud

Collecting workers' compensation benefits you are not entitled to is theft. Any theft of more than \$500 is a felony.

Any person who, with intent to defraud, receives workers' compensation benefits to which the person is not entitled by knowingly misrepresenting, misstating, or failing to disclose any material fact is guilty of theft and shall be sentenced pursuant to section 609.52, subdivision 3.

A suspected fraud can be reported by anyone. If you have reason to suspect someone is committing workers' compensation fraud, call 1-888-FRAUD MN (1-888-372-8366). All suspected violations will be investigated.

If you have questions or need more help, call the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry:

Workers' Compensation Hotline

**1-800-DIAL-DLI
(1-800-342-5354)
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,
Monday-Friday**

Department of Labor and Industry
Workers' Compensation Division
P.O. Box 64221
St. Paul, MN 55164-0221
Phone: (651) 284-5032
TDD: (651) 297-4198

Department of Labor and Industry
Workers' Compensation Division
525 Lake Ave. S., Suite 330
Duluth, MN 55802-2368
Phone: (218) 733-7810
Toll-free: 1-800-342-5354

Your call will be answered by experienced workers' compensation specialists who will provide **instant, accurate information and assistance**. Additional workers' compensation information is available on the department Web site at www.dli.mn.gov.

Minnesota workers' compensation system employee information sheet

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Your workers' compensation benefits are paid by an insurance company or your employer, if your employer is self-insured. State law sets the benefit levels. Please note: pursuant to statute, the insurer can obtain medical information specific to your work injury without your authorization.

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Insurer name: **Midwest Insurance Company** Phone : **800-293-0616**

- If you are not satisfied with the response you receive from the insurer and still disagree with the denial, you should contact the Department of Labor and Industry at one of the numbers listed below to see what to do next.

If you have other questions or need more help, call the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry Workers' Compensation Hotline:

Twin Cities and Southern Minnesota: (651) 284-5005 or 1-800-342-5354; TTY (651) 297-4198
Duluth and Northern Minnesota: (218) 723-4670 or 1-800-342-5354

Your call will be answered by experienced workers' compensation specialists, who will provide instant, accurate information and assistance.

Additional workers' compensation information is available on the department's Web site at:
www.dli.mn.gov/WorkComp.asp

Your employer is required by law to give you this information. This material can be made available in different formats, such as large print, Braille or audio, by calling the numbers printed above.

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Meridian Services

Preferred Clinics for Work Related Injuries

Twin Cities Area

GENERAL HEALTH:

-PARK NICOLLET CLINIC – BROOKDALE 6000 Earle Brown Drive Brooklyn Center, MN 55429-3359	952-993-4900
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – CHAMPLIN 11269 Jefferson Highway Champlin, MN 55316	763-236-0600
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – COON RAPIDS 9055 Springbrook Drive Coon Rapids, MN 55433	763-780-9155
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – COTTAGE GROVE 8611 W. Pt. Douglas Rd. S. Cottage Grove, MN 55016	651-458-1884
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – EAGAN 1110 Yankee Doodle Road Eagan, MN 55121	651-454-3970
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – EDINA 7500 France Ave. S. Edina, MN 55435	952-835-1311
-PARK NICOLLET CLINIC – GOLDEN VALLEY 8240 Golden Valley Drive Golden Valley, MN 55305	952-993-8300
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – ISLES 2800 Hennepin Ave. Minneapolis, MN 55408	612-775-4800

-PARK NICOLLET CLINIC – MINNEAPOLIS 2001 Blaisdell Ave. S. Minneapolis, MN 55404	952-993-8000
-PARK NICOLLET CLINIC – MAPLE GROVE 15800 95 TH Ave. N. Maple Grove, MN 55369	952-993-1440
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – MAPLE GROVE 13986 Maple Knoll Way Maple Grove MN 55369	763-236-0200
-PARK NICOLLET CLINIC – MINNETONKA 1511 Twelve Oaks Center Dr. Minnetonka, MN 55305	952-993-4500
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – PLYMOUTH 2855 Campus Drive Suite 400 Plymouth, MN 55441	763-557-7400
-PARK NICOLLET CLINIC – PLYMOUTH 3007 Harbor Lane N. Plymouth, MN 55447	952-993-8900
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – RAMSEY 5300 Alpine Drive NW Ramsey, MN 55303	763-236-0000
-PARK NICOLLET CLINIC – SAINT LOUIS PARK 3800, 3850, 3900 Park Nicollet Blvd. Saint Louis Park, MN 55416	952-993-3512
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – SHOREVIEW 4194 North Lexington Ave. Shoreview, MN 55126	651-483-5461
-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – WEST ST. PAUL 150 East Emerson Ave. West St. Paul, MN 55118	651-241-1800

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS:

-COLUMBIA PARK MEDICAL GROUP – BROOKLYN PARK **763-572-5700**

Dr. Meyer
10000 Zane Ave. N.
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

-HEALTH PARTNERS REGIONS HEALTH CLINIC **651-254-3456**

640 Jackson Street
St. Paul, MN 55101

-MN OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH – ST. PAUL **651-842-5300**

1661 St. Anthony Ave. 2nd floor
St. Paul, MN 55104

-TWIN CITIES OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH **651-224-8264**

Dr. Kemper
2520 Pilot Knob Road Suite 250
Mendota Heights, MN 55120

HAND INJURIES:

-DOWNTOWN ST. PAUL HAND CLINIC **651-842-5200**

Ritchie Medical Plaza
310 N. Smith Ave. Suite 370
St. Paul, MN 55102

-PARK NICOLLET CLINIC – MEADOWBROOK **952-993-3123**

6490 Excelsior Blvd.
St. Louis Park, MN 55426

-TRIA ORTHOPEDIC CENTER CLINIC **952-831-8742**

8100 Northland Drive
Bloomington, MN 55431

BACK INJURIES:

-PHYSICIANS NECK/BACK CLINICS – COON RAPIDS **763-862-6939**

3440 129TH Ave. NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55448

-PHYSICIANS NECK/BACK CLINICS – MAPLE GROVE **763-416-1353**
11671 Fountains Drive Suite 200
Maple Grove, MN 55369

Saint Cloud Area

GENERAL HEALTH:

-ABBOTT NORTHWESTERN MEDICAL ASSOCIATES **320-534-2600**
2000 Abbott Northwestern Court
Sartell, MN 56303

HAND INJURIES:

-MIDSOTA PLASTIC SURGEONS **320-253-7257**
3701 12TH Street N. Suite 100
St. Cloud, MN 56377

Buffalo Area

GENERAL HEALTH:

-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – ANNANDALE **320-274-3744**
440 Elm Street East
Annandale, MN 55302

-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – BUFFALO **763-682-5225**
303 Caitlin Street
Buffalo, MN 55313

Elk River Area

GENERAL HEALTH:

-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – ELK RIVER **763-236-0555**
Elk Ridge Health
14181 Business Center Dr. NW
Elk River, MN 55330

-ALLINA MEDICAL CLINIC – ST. MICHAEL **763-744-4000**
4300 Edgewood Dr. NE
St. Michael, MN 55376