

Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic
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Primary Insurance Information

Name _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Phone _____ Policy# _____ Group# _____

Policyholder's Full Name _____ SSN _____

Secondary Insurance Information

Name _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Phone _____ Policy# _____ Group# _____

Policyholder's Full Name _____ SSN _____

Emergency Contact Information

Name _____

Phone _____
Home Cell Other

Relationship to patient _____

Address _____
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Acknowledgement of Review of Notice of Privacy Practices

I have reviewed Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic's *Notice of Privacy Practices*, which explains how my medical information will be used and disclosed. I understand that this information can and will be used to:

- Conduct and direct my treatment among the multiple healthcare providers who may be involved in that treatment directly and indirectly
- Obtain payment from third party payers
- Conduct normal healthcare operations (e.g. quality assessments)

I understand that I may request, in writing, that this office restrict how my private information is used or disclosed. I also understand that the office is not required to agree to my requested restrictions, but if you do agree then you are bound to abide by such restrictions

I am entitled to request and receive a paper copy of the *Notice of Privacy Practices*.

Name of Patient

Signature of Patient or Patient's Parent/Guardian

Date

Assignment of Benefits

I hereby assign all medical benefits to include major medical benefits to which I am entitled. I hereby authorize and direct my insurance carrier(s), including Medicare, private insurance and any other health/medical plan to issue payment directly to Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic (Naureen Alim, MD, PLLC) for medical services rendered to myself and/or my dependents at this office. I understand that I am responsible for any amount not covered by insurance.

I further authorize Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic to release any information necessary to process the claim and payment of benefits. I authorize the insurance company or health plan administrator to release all pertinent financial information concerning coverage and payments under my policy to Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic (Naureen Alim, MD, PLLC).

A photocopy of my signature on this assignment is to be considered as valid as the original.

This assignment will remain in effect until revoked by me in writing.

Patient Name

Patient Signature or Responsible Party Signature

Date

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Authorization for Release of Diagnostic Reports and Electronic Information

I authorize Dr. Naureen Alim and the staff of the Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic to leave diagnostic test results pertaining to my medical care (or if patient is a minor, for my dependent/child's medical care) on my answering machine and/or voicemail.

(Please choose one option below and sign next to the option you choose)

_____ YES Signature: _____ Date: _____

_____ NO Signature: _____ Date: _____

I authorize Dr. Naureen Alim and the staff of the Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic to provide me appointment reminders, and notification of the availability of diagnostic test results for myself (or if patient is a minor, for my dependent/child) by HRAC patient portal.

(Please choose one option below and sign next to the option you choose)

_____ YES Email Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

_____ NO Signature: _____ Date: _____

Financial Policy

Understanding medical care finances can be challenging, especially since an office visit may involve multiple payers. In an effort to provide you with a full understanding of your financial responsibilities as an important aspect of your medical care, we have developed the following policies. Please feel free to ask any questions or discuss any concerns with us.

1. Full payment is due at the time of service.
2. Our office accepts cash, personal checks, and most major credit cards.
3. Our office has made arrangements with many insurance carriers to accept an assignment of benefits. In these instances, we will bill those insurance plans directly. You, however, are still required to pay your co-payment, co-insurance, insurance deductible, and/or fees for services “not covered” by your insurance plan. Payment will be collected at the time of service, or is due upon receipt of a statement from our office.
4. As a courtesy, we may obtain information regarding specific benefits covered and payable under your health insurance plan but it is your responsibility to be aware of the details of your health care coverage, since the benefit information provided to our office by your health insurance company may not be accurate.
5. Patients with an outstanding balance are required to pay their balance before an appointment will be scheduled.
6. There will be a \$35.00 charge on returned checks and future payments will be required in the form of cash or credit card.
7. For services rendered to minor patients, we will expect payment from the adult accompanying the patient, and/or the patient’s parent and/or guardian.
8. **No show policy-** Patients who fail to keep their appointments or cancel less than 24 hours notice more than once will be dismissed from the practice. If you do not keep an appointment, and **you fail to reschedule or cancel at least 24 hours prior** to your appointment, you may be subject to **a \$35.00 cancellation fee. Appointments cancelled within the 24-hour period will be treated as a no show and the no show policy will apply.**
9. If you cancel or reschedule **2 consecutive times** then you will incur a **\$35.00 fee**. If you fail to keep your 3rd appointment then you may be dismissed from the practice.
10. The office will charge a fee of \$25.00 for forms filled out at the patient’s request.

Patient Name

Date

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Acknowledgement of Financial Responsibility

I have read, understand, and agree to the Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic (HRAC) Financial Policy as outlined above. I have requested medical services from HRAC on behalf of myself and/or my dependent(s), and understand that by making this request I am financially responsible for any and all charges incurred.

I acknowledge that any benefit information obtained by HRAC on my behalf was qualified by the health insurance company with the following statement: 1) This is an estimate of the benefits provided under the insurance contract; 2) Any payment is subject to the coordination of benefits with any other insurance that may cover the services rendered and the coverage being in effect on the date of service; 3) Verification of eligibility or benefits is not a guarantee of coverage or payment and is subject to any policy provisions and exclusions that are in effect at the time services are rendered.

HRAC does not accept responsibility for collection of insurance proceeds or for negotiating settlement of disputed claims. If my insurance company does not pay the claim in full, I am responsible for payment of the balance including any finance charges or collection fees that may be included.

Patient Name

Name of Responsible Party
(Parent/Guardian)

Patient Signature or Responsible Party Signature Date

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General Consent for Evaluation and Treatment

I, _____, have requested to be evaluated and treated by the Houston Rheumatology and Allergy Clinic (HRAC). I understand that certain office procedures may be appropriate for my medical evaluation and treatment. These procedures may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Allergy skin prick testing*
- Intra-dermal skin testing*
- Drug or Food Allergy Testing and/ or Incremental Challenge Testing*
- Joint fluid aspiration and/ or injection(s) with or without ultrasound guidance*
- Therapeutic medication injection(s)*

The general risks of the above stated procedures include: pain, damage to skin or adjacent tissues at the injection and/or skin testing site, allergic reaction, infection, localized swelling, redness, and itching, as well as the need for further medical treatment, and potential death in extreme circumstances.

Before any of these procedures are performed (if they are deemed appropriate for my care), the risks and benefits will again be reviewed with me verbally, and I will be given time to have all of my questions and/or concerns addressed regarding the specific procedure(s). I can withdraw my consent for any diagnostic or treatment procedure at any time, verbally or in writing.

Patient Name

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(Parent/Guardian)

Patient Signature or Responsible Party Signature

Date

NEW PATIENT HEALTH HISTORY

In order to treat you safely and effectively, please answer the following questions. This is for our records only, and responses are confidential.

Name: _____ **Age:** ____ **DOB:** __/__/____ **Ht:**____ **Wt:**____

What is the reason for your visit?

How long has this been present? _____

Do you have any allergies to medications? No Yes (*specify medications and reactions*)

Medications – attach separate sheet if necessary.

Please list ALL medications, non-prescription medications, supplements, herbals, birth-control pills etc. Please bring your medications with you to your appointments.

Name	Dose/Frequency	Name	Dose/Frequency
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Past Medical and Family History - Mark all that apply and please specify the condition:

	Yourself	Blood relative		Yourself	Blood relative
High blood pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Depression/Anxiety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
High cholesterol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Osteoarthritis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heart disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rheumatoid arthritis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lupus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heartburn (GERD)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blood disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sleep apnea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clotting problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Osteoporosis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stroke	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hepatitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lung Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kidney disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Liver disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skin disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allergies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thyroid disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eye disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other: _____

Past Surgical History – mark all that apply and please indicate dates of surgeries:

- Tonsillectomy Hysterectomy Joint replacement Sinus surgery Cataract
 Cardiac stent/Cardiac bypass Other _____

Social History:

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Marital Status: Single Married Widowed Divorced Separated

Occupation: _____ Education level: _____

Do you smoke? Never Yes Quit (year) _____

Do you drink alcohol? No Yes (how many drinks per day) _____

Do you exercise? No Yes (How often and what type?) _____

Ob/Gyn History (for females only):

Are you post-menopausal? Yes No

Number of pregnancies _____ Number of miscarriages (if any) _____

Review of Systems:

Please mark any symptoms present in the last 3 months.

Constitutional: Weight gain Weight loss Fatigue Fever Dizziness

Eyes: Change in vision Eye pain Eye redness Dry eyes Itchy eyes

E/N/T: Ear ringing Hoarseness Nose bleeds Post nasal drainage Hay fever
 Itchy throat Itchy ears Sinus congestion / pressure Ulcers /sores in mouth

Heart: Chest pain Palpitations Leg swelling Fainting Sleeping on >2 pillows

Lungs: Cough Wheezing Shortness of breath Blood tinged sputum

Gastrointestinal: Nausea Vomiting Constipation Diarrhea Black stools
 Heartburn History of liver disease or abnormal liver tests

Genitourinary: Painful urination Blood in urine Frequent urination Urine incontinence

Skin: Rash Hair loss Itching Problems going out in the sun Hives Nail changes Color changes of hands and feet in cold

Musculoskeletal: Joint pains Joint swelling Joint stiffness Joint redness
 Muscle aches Back pain

Psych: Anxiety Depression Sleep problems

Neuro: Seizures Vertigo Weakness Numbness Tingling

Endocrine: Feeling too hot Feeling too cold Excessive thirst Enlarging hands or feet

Heme: Easy bruising Abnormal bleeding Abnormal lymph nodes History of transfusion