PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM, SIGN IT AND SEND TO OUR OFFICE BY MAIL OR FAX

Authorization for Release of Health Information Pursuant to HIPAA

Patient Name:	Date of Birth:
Patient Address:	

I, or my authorized representative, request that health information regarding my care and treatment as set forth on this form.
In accordance with New York State Law and the Privacy Rule of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), I understand that:

1. This authorization may include disclosure of information relating to **ALCOHOL** and **DRUG ABUSE, MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT**, except psychotherapy notes, **and CONFIDENTIAL HIV* RELATED INFORMATION** only if I place my initials in the appropriate line in Item 7(a). I specifically authorize release of such information to the person(s) indicated in Item 7.
2. If I am authorizing the release of HIV-related, alcohol, or drug treatment, or mental health treatment information, the recipient is prohibited from redisclosing such information without my authorization unless permitted to do so under federal or state law. I understand that I have the right to request a list of people who may receive or use my HIV-related information without authorization. If I experience discrimination because of the release of disclosure of HIV-related information, I may contact the New York State Division of Human Rights at (212) 480-2493 or the New York City Commission of Human Rights at (212) 306-7450. These agencies are responsible for protecting my rights.
3. I have the right to revoke this authorization at any time by writing to the health care provider listed below. I understand that I may revoke this authorization except to the extent that action has already been taken based on this authorization
4. I understand that signing this authorization is voluntary. My treatment, payment, enrollment in a health plan, or eligibility for benefits will not be conditioned upon my authorization if this disclosure.
5. Information disclosed under this authorization might be redisclosed by the recipient (expect as noted above Item 2), and this redisclosure may no longer be protected by federal or state law.
6. **THIS AUTHORIZATION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE YOU TO DISCUSS MY HEALTH INFORMATION OR MEDICAL CARE WITH ANYONE OTHER THAN THE ATTORNEY OR GOVERMENTAL AGENCY SPECIFIED IN ITEM 7 (b).**
7.

Name and address of health provider or entity to release this information:
The Laser & Skin Surgery Center of New York 317 East 34th Street, New York, NY 10016

Name and address of person(s) or category of person to whom this information will be sent to:

a) Specific information to be released:

Medical Records from (insert date)___________to (insert date)____________

□ Entire Medical Record, including patient histories, office notes (except psychotherapy notes), test results, radiology studies, referrals, consults, billing records, insurance records

□ Clinical Photographs

□ Other_______________________________________

Include: (indicate by Initialing)

______Alcohol/Drug Treatment

______Mental Health Information

______HIV-Related Information

______Genetic Testing

b) Authorization to Discuss Health Information

By Initialing here_______ I authorize____
Initials | Name of individual health care provider

To discuss my health information with my attorney, or a governmental agency, listed here:

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(Attorney/Firm or Governmental Agency Name)

Reason for release of information ○ At request of individual ○ Other:______________	Date or event on which this authorization will expire:
If not the patient, name of person signing form:	Authority to sign on behalf of patient:

All Items on this form have been completed and my questions about this form have been answered. In addition, I have been provided a copy of the form. The fee will be $0.75 per page and $5 per color photograph (NYS Sections 17&18 of Public Health Law, Laws of 1991 Chapter 165, Sections 48 &49).

____ Date: ____________________________

Signature of Patient or representative authorized by law.***Human Immunodeficiency Virus that causes AIDS. The New York State Public Health Law protects information which reasonably could identify someone as a having HIV symptoms or infection and information regarding a person's contacts.**

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