

PAIN MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

MEDICALLY-INDICATED OPIOID ANALGESIC THERAPY FOR CHRONIC PAIN

INSTRUCTION: PCWFL is an interventional procedure-oriented practice that employs various pharmaceutical agents in conjunction with procedures and physical therapy, which intervene in pain pathways for the on-going management of chronic pain. PCWFL considers any opioid agent to be a last line therapy as its health risks mandate that it be prescribed at the lowest possible dose for the shortest time period. Please **review** each section for a full understanding of your responsibilities to the policies of this agreement, which provides for your safety and the safety of the public and **ask** any question of each section.

RISK _____ *My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.*

1.1 I understand and agree my opioid therapy presents potential risks to my health, which include, but are not limited to, addiction, addiction-relapse, bowel constipation/obstruction/perforation, cardiac event, confusion/delirium, depression, dizziness/imbalance, drowsiness/sleepiness, dry mouth, emotional anxiety/instability, fatigue, fetal addiction, immunity suppression, increased pain, liver dysfunction/damage, loss of effectiveness, mood change, nausea/vomiting, overdose, physical-dependence, psychological-dependence, respiratory depression/failure, sedation, sexual dysfunction, testosterone depletion, tolerance, weight loss/anorexia, withdrawal syndrome, and even DEATH.

1.2 I understand and agree opioid therapy with benzodiazepine therapy is potentially hazardous to my health and could possibly lead to death. PCWFL will not co-prescribe opioid therapy and benzodiazepines, so my current benzodiazepine therapy may need to be discontinued by the prescribing physician prior to taking over, continuing or starting opioid therapy.

1.3 I understand and agree not to drive or operate machinery until such time that I know my opioid therapy does not cause sedation.

1.4 I understand and agree to disclose my opioid therapy to any other healthcare provider prescribing me a medication.

1.5 I understand and agree not to use *Mitragyna speciosa* (commonly known as Kratom)

1.6 I understand that I must have and maintain a primary care physician.

1.7 For Women: I will avoid getting pregnant while taking these medications. To the best of my knowledge, I am not pregnant at this time. I understand pregnancy tests may be completed by PCWFL.

SECURITY _____ *My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.*

2.1 I understand and agree I must provide security in a lock box for my opioid agent(s) as it is life-threatening to the health of others, especially a child.

2.2 I understand and agree if the prescription, or my opioid agent(s), is lost, stolen, or destroyed, a duplicate prescription may not be provided to me.

PRESCRIBER _____ *My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.*

3.1 I understand and agree while on my opioid therapy from PCWFL I will neither request nor accept prescribed opioid therapy from any other healthcare provider except -

3.2 I understand and agree I must inform the other healthcare provider of my opioid therapy; then, I may receive opioid therapy under these 3 situations:

(1) I am a patient of a healthcare provider in an emergency room of a hospital being treated for an acute emergency

(2) I am a patient of a healthcare provider in a hospital

(3) I am a patient of a healthcare provider having surgery

Under any 1 of these 3 situations, I must inform PCWFL of my receiving opioid therapy from another healthcare provider within 72 hours.

PRESCRIPTION _____ *My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.*

4.1 I understand and agree I must follow exactly the prescribed instructions of my opioid therapy with regard to the amount, route, and frequency of daily dosing.

4.2 I understand and agree I will not tamper with my opioid therapy by breaking, cutting, crushing, chewing, or smoking as this could lead to my DEATH.

4.3 I understand and agree that I will never apply direct heat (heating pad) over the skin patch of my opioid therapy as this could lead to my DEATH.

4.4 I understand and agree I am the sole user of my opioid therapy, such that I will not provide my opioid analgesic agent(s) to any other person.

4.5 I understand and agree I will not alter my prescriptions.

PHARMACY _____ My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.

5.1 I understand and agree I must declare an independent single dispensing pharmacy of my choosing that will be the sole dispenser of my prescribed opioid therapy.

REFILL _____ My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.

6.1 I understand and agree a request by me for an early refill of my opioid therapy prior to the scheduled refill date as outlined by my overall treatment plan may be denied.

6.2 I understand and agree I must not request a refill of my opioid therapy outside the operational hours of the clinic (Monday – Friday; 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM), such as after hours during the evening/night or over a weekend/holiday.

TREATMENT PLAN _____ My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.

7.1 I understand I must comply with the treatment plan as outlined.

7.2 I understand and agree continuance of my opioid analgesic therapy is dependent on maintaining my monthly follow-up re-evaluation as defined by my overall treatment plan for the continued re-assessment and risk re-evaluation of this class of therapy.

7.3 I understand I may see a physician assistant or nurse practitioner for some follow up visits.

7.4 I understand I must call 48 hours prior to my appointment time if I need to cancel to avoid a cancellation fee.

7.5 I understand that I must be on time for my appointments. If I am late for my appointment, I understand I have missed it and it will need to be rescheduled. Continuously being late or missing an appointment may result in discharge from this practice

ACCOUNTING _____ My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.

8.1 I understand and agree that, if requested, to bring my opioid agent(s) in original container(s) for an accounting of the agent(s) within the specified time given by PCWFL.

8.2 I understand and agree to bring my opioid agent(s) in original container(s) for an accounting of the agent(s) to every appointment at PCWFL.

TESTING _____ My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.

9.1 I understand I may be assessed to monitor for abuse, addiction, or misuse.

9.2 I understand and agree I must provide testing of my blood, urine or saliva while on my opioid therapy, in which, the absence of my opioid therapy or the presence of any unauthorized or illegal substance(s) in my sample may result in the immediate termination of my opioid therapy.

DURATION _____ My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.

10.1 I understand and agree the goal of my opioid therapy for pain relief is for me to be on the lowest possible dose for the shortest possible period of time.

10.2 I understand and agree justification for continuing my opioid therapy depends on me communicating with my provider the character and intensity of my pain, the effects of the pain on my daily life, and how well the medicine is helping relieve the pain.

PRIVACY _____ My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.

11.1 I understand and agree to the release of any and all details of my personal healthcare information by PCWFL to any healthcare provider; any dispensing pharmacist; any law enforcement agency; and/or, any regulatory board for the purpose of investigating the possible abuse, misuse, or diversion of my opioid therapy.

TERMINATION _____ My initials indicate I have carefully read, fully understand, and agree to this section of the agreement.

12.1 I understand and agree my opioid therapy will be terminated should I fail to comply with the policies of this important agreement.

12.2 I understand and agree my failure to comply with the policies of this agreement may result in my being referred to a detoxification program.

I have read each section of this patient–physician agreement regarding my medically-indicated opioid therapy. I fully understand each section and voluntarily agree with all the policies contained within this patient–physician agreement with PCWFL for the safe relief of my pain, and in equal measure, for the welfare of the general public.

Patient Signature

Staff Signature

Patient Name (Print)

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Date