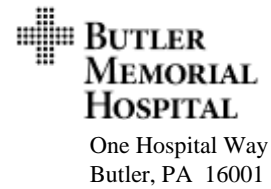


(PLEASE COMPLETE ALL AREAS MARKED WITH AN "X")



There will be a per-page fee charged for Record requests.

MEDICAL RECORDS PH: 724-284-4530 FAX: 724-284-4532

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

I hereby authorize Butler Memorial Hospital to release information from the record of:

Form fields for Patient Name, Birth Date, Unit Number, Name of Facility/Person, Phone, Fax, and Facility/Person Address.

Records are requested for the purpose of (PROVIDE A DETAILED DESCRIPTION):

Field for describing the purpose of the records request.

Parts 1 and 2 must be completed to properly identify the records to be released.

1. Type of records to be released and approximate date(s) of service (check all that apply)

- Options for record types: Inpatient Dates, Emergency Dept. Dates, Outpatient Dates.

2. Specific information to be released (check all that apply)

- Grid of checkboxes for specific information: Admission History/Physical, Discharge Summary, Radiology/EKG/Lab Reports, Consultation Reports, Laboratory Reports/Tests, Other, Mammography Report, Medical History and Physical Exam, Medical Administration Records, Operative Report, Pathology Report, Slides, EKG Report, Physician's Orders, Progress Notes, Discharge Instructions, Psychology/Psychiatric Evaluations, Films.

HIV, Mental Health and Drug & Alcohol Information contained in the parts of the records indicated above will be released through this authorization unless otherwise indicated.

Do not release: HIV, Mental Health/Psychiatric, Drug & Alcohol

I understand that this Authorization is effective for a one-year period from the date of signature, unless otherwise specified. I understand that I may revoke this authorization in writing at any time except to the extent that Butler Health System or its employees or agents have acted upon this authorization. My written revocation must be submitted to the Privacy Officer, Butler Memorial Hospital. See side two of this form for additional patient rights and responsibilities.

Signature and Date/Time fields for Patient and Parent/Legal Guardian/Authorized Representative.

Signature and Date/Time fields for Witness/Staff Member.

*Authorized Representative's relationship and authority to act on behalf of patient:

ORAL AUTHORIZATION (for persons physically unable to sign) NOT Applicable to HIV Related Information or Drug & Alcohol Treatment Information

I witness that the patient understood the nature of this release and freely gave their oral authorization. (Two witnesses required)

Witness signature and date/time fields for two witnesses.

Additional Patient Rights and Responsibilities

- A disclosure statement, as required by law, will accompany all records released.
- Any drug or alcohol treatment records released will have the following statement accompany the records; “This information has been disclosed to you from records protected by federal confidentiality rules.”
- Release of my records will be for the purpose stated on this form. Only those items checked off or listed will be released.
- Although applicable law may prohibit re-disclosure of these records. I understand that it is possible that the facility/person that received the records may re-disclose the information, therefore 1) BHS and its staff/employees have no responsibility or liability as a result of any re-disclosure and, 2) such information would no longer be protected by the Privacy Rule.
- My decision to revoke the Authorization may result in my insurance company not being able to pay for my medical care and I understand that I may be responsible for payment of the claim.
- Butler Health System cannot require me to sign the Authorization in order to receive treatment.
- In accordance with 4 PA Code 255.5 (b), Drug and Alcohol treatment information to be released to judges, probation or parole officers, insurance company, health or hospital plan or governmental officials shall be restricted to the following:
 1. Whether the client is or is not in treatment
 2. The prognosis of the client
 3. The nature of the program
 4. A brief description of the progress of the client
 5. A short statement as to whether the client has relapsed into drug or alcohol abuse and the frequency of such relapse.
- I am entitled to a copy of this completed Authorization form.
- Please return all mammograms and originals to X-rays.

Copy of authorization must be provided to patients when authorization is initiated by BHS and for all Drug and Alcohol Treatment Patients.

- Copy of authorization provided to patient.
 Copy of authorization refused.

Staff Use Only

ID Obtained Signature Checked Other

Type of ID: _____

Fee \$ No Fee

Records Released by: _____ Date/Time Released: _____

Mailed: _____ Picked Up _____ Courier