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Children's Single Point of Access Application Part 1

Instructions

Thank you for completing this application for the Children's Single Point of Access. When a child in our community is in need of assistance, we are always grateful to find out so that we can make sure that s/he is connected to the care and support that they and their family need.

The Children's Single Point of Access (C-SPOA) is operated by Putnam County government to enable families easy, streamlined access to the mental health service system regardless of their financial resources or insurance status. While C-SPOA does not provide any direct services, it can help a family to access the complete continuum of mental health services for a child. If you are in doubt as to whether the child about whom you are concerned should be referred to the C-SPOA, please make the referral.

The attached form requests information that will enable us to ascertain how best to begin serving this family.

- ❖ **Please complete this form no matter what kind of insurance the child has, or if the child has no insurance. C-SPOA services are available for all children in NYS, regardless of their insurance or immigration status.**
- ❖ **Please complete the form to the best of your ability – fields can remain incomplete if information is unavailable.**
 - **If you have documentation of the child's diagnosis, please provide it, but we do not want you to delay the application gathering documentation.**
 - **The C-SPOA will be able to help capture any missing information once you submit this form to them.**
 - **If you need help with this form, please call Dawn Mullins at (845) 808-1600, ext. 46139 or Amanda Boccardi at (845) 225-2700, ext. 228.**
- ❖ **There are two consent forms attached to this application.**
 - **The Consent for Release of Information is REQUIRED in order for us to access the information we need to process this application. Therefore, we cannot process this application without appropriate consent signatures.**
 - **The Children's Single Point of Access (C-SPOA) Patient Information Retrieval Consent is highly recommended. This information is NOT required, but will help us to coordinate services for the child, so we strongly encourage the patient/guardian signs it.**

When you have completed this form, please submit it by encrypted email to Dawn.Mullins@putnamcountyny.gov, by fax to 845-808-1931, or by mail to Putnam County Mental Health, 110 Old Route 6, Bldg. 3, Carmel, NY 10512.

PUTNAM COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH
DONALD B. SMITH COUNTY GOVERNMENT CAMPUS
110 OLD ROUTE SIX – BUILDING THREE - CARMEL, NY 10512
(845) 808-1600 EXT. 46139 FAX: (845) 808-1931 (CONFIDENTIAL)

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Today's date _____

Child's Information			
Full Name (Last, First MI)		People with the following immigration status may be eligible for Medicaid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Citizen Permanent resident (green card holder) Refugee or asylee U or T visa holder (for victims of crime or trafficking) Employment authorization card holder Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipient Does the child's immigration status fall into one of the above categories? <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; width: 100%;"> YES NO </div>	
Date of Birth	SSN		
Home Address			
Mailing Address (if different from home)			
Primary Language(s)	Does the child have health insurance?	Gender Identity	Fluent in English?
	YES NO		YES NO
Insurance Plan	Insurance Policy Number	Medicaid/CIN#	
Is this child enrolled in Health Home Care Management?		If yes, please indicate which Health Home/Care Management Agency	
YES NO UNKNOWN			
Referral Information			
Date of Referral	Name/Title of Referrer	Referring Organization/Program	
Address of Referrer			
Referrer Phone	Referrer Fax	Referrer Email	
Reason for Referral (attach additional sheet if needed)			
Referrer Signature			
Caregiver Contact #1 Information		Caregiver Contact #2 Information	
Full Name		Full Name	
Address		Address	
Phone	Email	Phone	Email
Relationship to Child	Legal Guardian?	Relationship to Child	Legal Guardian?
	YES NO		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Caregiver Primary Language	Fluent in English?	Caregiver Primary Language	Fluent in English?
	YES NO		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Is this caregiver the primary contact?		Is this caregiver the primary contact?	
YES NO		YES NO	
Is this caregiver enrolled in Health Home Care Management?		Is this caregiver enrolled in Health Home Care Management?	
YES NO UNKNOWN		YES NO UNKNOWN	
If yes, please indicate which Health Home/Care Management Agency		If yes, please indicate which Health Home/Care Management Agency	

Legal Custody Status	
Both parents together	Joint custody
Biological mother only	DSS
Biological father only	Adult Sibling
Other Legal Guardian (describe):	Emancipated Minor
	Adoptive Parent

Current Providers	
School and grade	Therapist/Therapist's agency
Psychiatrist/Psychiatrist's agency	Other service provider/agency

IQ Testing Scores (if available)		
Verbal	Full Scale	Test date

Additional Information	
Is child/youth currently admitted to an inpatient facility? YES _____ NO _____	Number of hospitalizations in the previous 12 months
If yes, name of facility and expected discharge date:	Number of Emergency Department visits in the previous 12 months
Is child/youth currently receiving DSS preventive services? YES _____ NO _____ UNKNOWN _____	Other systems involvement (e.g. CPS, MST, etc.) – Please specify
If yes, name of provider	

Mental Health Diagnosis (if known)	
Does the child have a diagnosed serious emotional disturbance? YES _____ NO _____	If so, what is it?
If yes, by whom was the diagnosis made?	If yes, when was the diagnosis made?

Preliminary Eligibility Screening			
Does the child have two or more chronic medical conditions (i.e. asthma, diabetes, substance use disorder)?	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
Does the child have HIV/AIDS?	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
Do you believe the child has a Serious Emotional Disturbance? (child meets one of the below criteria)	YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	UNKNOWN
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Difficulty with self-care, family life, social relationships, self-control, or learning • Suicidal symptoms • Psychotic symptoms (hallucinations, delusions, etc.) • Is at risk of causing personal injury or property damage • The child's behavior creates a risk of removal from the household 			
Has the child been exposed to multiple traumatic events that have left a long-term and wide-ranging impact?	YES	NO	UNKNOWN

If you have supporting documentation related to one of the above diagnoses/conditions, please attach it.

Please complete attached REQUIRED consent for release of information to process this SPOA application.

**REQUIRED CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION
for Single Point of Access (SPOA), _____ County ("County")**

This authorization must be completed by the referred individual or his/her legal guardian/personal representative. This authorization permits the use, disclosure and re-disclosure of Protected Health Information (PHI) in accordance with State and Federal laws and regulations that govern the release of confidential records, as well as Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations that governs the release of drug & alcohol records for the purposes of care coordination, delivery of services, payment for services, and health care operations.

I AUTHORIZE communication with, and an exchange of Personally Identifying Information (PII) and PHI between, the County Single Point of Access (SPOA) team (comprised of County and state employees as well as representatives of local service providers), Other Provider(s) (see attached list of Providers on page 2); **AND** the Referral Source (Person / Title / Agency / School or Correctional Facility):

DESCRIPTION OF INFORMATION to be used / disclosed and re-disclosed (*check ALL that apply*): **ALL listed below**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Referral (including contact info) | <input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient/Outpatient Treatment | <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnosis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric Evaluation/Assessment | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial &/or Insurance Info | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health/Psychosocial Assessment | <input type="checkbox"/> Discharge Summary/Treatment Plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Medications (past & present) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Psychological &/or Neurological Tests | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Sentence Investigation Report | <input type="checkbox"/> Substance Use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Documentation of Medical Necessity | <input type="checkbox"/> HIV/AIDS-related Information | <input type="checkbox"/> School Records (including testing) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Psychosocial History and Assessment | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Planning Information | | |

PURPOSE OR NEED FOR INFORMATION:

Allow SPOA to: make referrals to appropriate providers; consult regarding care; participate in care management services; provide discharge planning information to the providers listed on page 2; coordinate care among providers and through Health Homes; and facilitate participation in services accessed through SPOA.

I UNDERSTAND and ACKNOWLEDGE:

- This information must not be used, disclosed, or re-disclosed for any other purpose not covered under this authorization;
- With some exceptions, health information once disclosed may be re-disclosed by the recipient. If I am authorizing the release of information related to HIV/AIDS-related, alcohol or drug treatment, or mental health treatment, the recipient is prohibited from re-disclosing such information or using the disclosed information for any other purpose without my authorization unless permitted to do so under federal or state law or regulation;
- I am authorizing the re-disclosure of above-described information to the providers identified on page 2 of this form for the purposes identified on this form;
- I have the right to revoke (take back) this authorization at any time. My revocation must be in writing on a form provided by **County**. I am aware that my revocation does not affect information disclosed while the authorization was in effect;
- I do not have to sign this authorization and that my refusal to sign will neither affect my ability to obtain treatment, nor my eligibility for benefits;
- I have the right to inspect and copy my own PHI to be used/disclosed (in accordance with the requirements of the federal privacy protection regulations found under 45 CFR § 164.524);

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE the use, disclosure, and re-disclosure of the indicated PHI by and to the parties identified on this release as often as necessary to fulfill the purpose(s) identified above, and this authorization will expire: (check one)

When the individual named herein is no longer receiving services from County SPOA;

One Year from the date of signature;

Other: _____

I CERTIFY THAT I AUTHORIZE the use of the PHI as set forth in this document. By signing this authorization, I acknowledge that I have read and understand it. The facility, its employees, officers and physicians are hereby released from any legal responsibility or liability from the disclosure of the above information to the extent indicated and authorized herein.

SIGNATURE of Individual, Parent or Legal Guardian

Printed Name of Individual signing

Date

Description of Authority of Personal Representative

SIGNATURE of WITNESS

Printed Name of Witness/Title

Date

**List of agencies with which the SPOA Committee is permitted
to exchange information**

COMMUNICATION PREFERENCES

County SPOA wants to respect your wishes regarding Communication. Please indicate your preferences below.

US Mail

Can we send mail to your address with our return address on the envelope? Yes No

Telephone:

When calling, can we say we are County SPOA (Single Point of Access)? Yes No

PERMISSION FOR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

I understand the transmission of electronic information may not be secure. E-mails and cell phone communications are unencrypted, and other concerns may exist including but not limited to: email and faxes may accidentally be sent to the wrong person; content may be changed without knowledge; copies may exist; some e-mails may contain harmful viruses; cell phone communications may be intercepted or heard by others; texting leaves a record of communication; and there is a risk of loss of device with information on it.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I HEREBY AUTHORIZE County Mental Health SPOA Team permission to correspond with me via (check all that apply):

- FAX Fax Number:
E-MAIL Email Address:
CELL PHONE Phone Number:
TEXT MESSAGE Phone Number:

I understand this permission may be cancelled by me at any time but cannot apply retroactively to communication that has already been sent.

SIGNATURE of Individual, Parent or Legal Guardian Printed Name of Individual signing Date

Description of Authority of Personal Representative

SIGNATURE of WITNESS Printed Name of Witness/Title Date

Optional Children's Single Point of Access (C-SPOA) Patient Information Retrieval Consent

Name of SPOA County

The SPOA Committee may get health information, including your child’s health records, through a computer system run by _____, a Regional Health Information Organization (RHIO). A RHIO uses a computer system to collect and store health information, including medical records, from your child’s doctors and health care providers who are part of the RHIO. The RHIO can only share your child’s health information with people who you say can see or get such health information.

The SPOA Committee may also get health information, including your child’s history of services reimbursed by Medicaid through a computer system called PSYCKES, which is run by the New York State Office of Mental Health. PSYCKES is a computer system maintained by the New York State Office of Mental Health that contains health information from the NYS Medicaid database, health information from clinical records, and information from other NYS health databases. For an updated list and more information about the NYS health databases in PSYCKES, visit www.psyckes.org and see “About PSYCKES.”

If you agree and sign this form, SPOA Committee members are allowed to get, see, read and copy ALL of your child’s health information (including all of the health information obtained from the RHIO and/or from PSYCKES) that they need to arrange your child’s care, manage such care or study such care to make health care better for patients. The health information they may get, see, read and copy may be from before and after the date you sign this form. Your health records may have information about illnesses or injuries your child had or may have had before; test results, like X-rays or blood tests; and the medicines your child is now taking or has taken before. Your child’s health records may also have information on:

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|---|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol or drug use problems • Birth control and abortion (family planning) • Genetic (inherited) diseases or tests • HIV/AIDS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health conditions • Sexually transmitted diseases • Medication and Dosages • Diagnostic Information • Allergies • Substance use history summaries | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical notes • Discharge summary • Employment Information • Living Situation • Social Supports • Claims Encounter Data • Lab Tests |
|---|---|--|

Health information is private and cannot be given to other people without proper permission under New York State and U.S. laws and rules. The providers that can get and see your child’s health information must obey all these laws. They cannot give your child’s information to other people unless an appropriate guardian agrees or the law says they can give the information to other people. This is true if health information is on a computer system or on paper. Some laws cover care for HIV/AIDS, mental health records, and drug and alcohol use. The providers that use your child’s health information and the SPOA Committee must obey these laws and rules.

Please read all the information on this form before you sign it

I GIVE CONSENT for the SPOA Committee to access ALL of my child’s health information through the RHIO and/or through PSYCKES to provide my child care or manage my child’s care, to check if my child is in a health plan and what the plan covers.

I DENY CONSENT for the SPOA Committee to access ALL of my child’s health information through the RHIO and/or through PSYCKES; however, I understand that my provider may be able to obtain my information even without my consent for certain limited purposes if specifically authorized by state and federal laws and regulations.

Print Name of Patient

Patient Date of Birth _____

Children's Single Point of Access (C-SPOA) Patient Information Sharing Consent

Details About Patient Information and the Consent Process

1. How will SPOA providers use my information?

If you agree, SPOA providers will use your health information to:

- Coordinate your health care and manage your care;
- Check if you have health insurance and what it pays for; and
- Study and make health care for patients better.

The choice you make does NOT let health insurers see your information to decide whether to give you health insurance or pay your bills.

2. Where does my health information come from?

Your health information comes from places and people that gave your health care or health insurance in the past. These may include hospitals, doctors, drugstores, laboratories, health plans (insurance companies), the Medicaid program, and other groups that share health information. For a list of the information available in PSYCKES, visit the PSYCKES website at www.psyckes.org and see "About PSYCKES" or ask your treatment provider to print the list for you.

3. What laws and rules cover how my health information can be shared?

These laws and regulations include New York Mental Hygiene Law Section 33.13, New York Public Health Law Article 27-F, and federal confidentiality rules, including 42 CFR Part 2 and 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 (which are the rules referred to as "HIPAA").

4. If I agree, who can get and see my information?

The only people who can see your health information are those who you agree can get and see it, like doctors and other people who work for the SPOA and who are involved in your health care and people who work for a SPOA provider who is giving you care to help them check your health insurance or to study and make health care better for all patients.

5. What if a person uses my information and I didn't agree to let them use it?

If you think a person used your information, and you did not agree to give the person your information, call one of the providers you have said can see your records, the SPOA at _____, the United States Attorney's Office at (212) 637-2800, or the NYS Office of Mental Health Customer Relations at 800-597-8481.

6. How long does my consent last?

Your consent will last until the day you take back your consent, or if the SPOA stops working, or three years after the last date of service from the SPOA, whichever comes first.

7. What if I change my mind later and want to take back my consent?

You can take back your consent at any time by signing a Withdrawal of Consent Form and giving it to the SPOA. You can get this form by calling _____. Note: Even if you later decide to take back your consent, providers who already have your information do not have to take it out of their records.

8. How do I get a copy of this form?

You can have a copy of this form after you sign it.