## NEW PATIENT LETTER



# Welcome to Horizons Diagnostics!

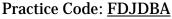
Thank you for entrusting us with your healthcare needs. At Horizons, we strive to provide the best comprehensive care for most age groups with an array of additional services, including ultrasound, x-ray, in-house labs for faster results, DEXA scans, physical therapy & EMGs, EKGs, and remote patient monitoring.

We look forward to caring for you and your family's needs in the years ahead.

# **Healow App**

With Healow, you can securely access your health records, view your lab results, manage your medications, and send messages to our health care team.

Scan the QR code with your Apple or Android phone to download the app. Open the camera, hover over the QR code. and click the link.



# What to bring to your **Appointment**

- ✓ ID & Insurance Cards
- ✓ List of current medications
- ✓ Completed New Patient Packet:
  - **Patient Registration**
  - **Patient Health History**
  - **Patient Financial Agreement**

**New Patient Welcome Letter** 

- **Notice of Privacy Practices**
- **HIPPA Authorization Form**

## **Arrival Time**

Please arrive 30 minutes early to your scheduled appointment time. Otherwise, your appointment may be rescheduled. This will allow our staff adequate time to enter or update your information. A no-show fee will be assessed for any appointments not canceled at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled appointment date.

# Co-Pay and Billing

Co-pay is due at the time of service.

Name (Last, First):	Appointment Date:	
Date of Birth:	Appointment Time:	
Primary Care Provider:	□ Enter	druff Road rprise Court tlesey Blvd.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received and completed all documents in the New Patient Packet.

**Patient Signature** 

Family & Internal Medicine Enterprise 106 Enterprise Court

Suite A (1st Floor) Columbus, GA 31904 (706) 321-2585 or (706) 321-2555 Family & Internal Medicine Woodruff

3934 Woodruff Road Columbus, GA 31904 (706) 322-0304

Date

**Central Administration** 106 Enterprise Court Suite C (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

Columbus, GA 31904 (706) 321-0476

Center for Vein Care 6600 Whittlesey Boulevard Suite A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) Columbus GA 31909 (706) 321-9486



Signature

## PATIENT INFORMATION

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# PATIENT HEALTH HISTORY

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Unexplained fatigue/weakness	Heartburn/reflux/indigestion	Headache
Fall asleep during day when sitting	Blood/changes in bowel movement	Memory loss
Skin: New mole/change in mole	Constipation	Fainting
Skin: Rash/itching	Leaking urine	Dizziness
Breast lump/pain/nipple discharge	Blood In urine	Numbness/tingling
Nosebleeds, trouble swallowing	Increased frequency of urination	Unsteady gait
Frequent sore throat, hoarseness	Penile/Vaginal discharge	Frequent falls
Hearing loss/ringing in ears	Concern with sexual function	Hay fever/allergies
Change in vision/eye pain/redness	Neck pain	Frequent infections
Chest pain/discomfort	Back pain	Anxiety/stress/irritability
Fast/irregular heartbeat	Muscle/joint pain	Sleep problems
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## HIPAA AUTHORIZATION FORM

Horizons Diagnostics has taken measures to protect our patient's private medical information. We will not release any information to anyone unless you have provided the requested information below. These are people other than what is covered in our Notice of Privacy Practices. HIPAA (Health Insurance Privacy & Accountability Act) does allow Horizons Diagnostics to release information to outside entities on your behalf.

Patient Name (Last, First):	Patient DOB:		Primary Care Physician Name:			
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## PATIENT FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

Thank you for choosing us as your primary care provider. We are committed to providing you with quality and affordable healthcare. We ask all patients to review and sign the policy as outlined below. We are happy to answer any questions you may have. A copy will be provided to each patient as requested.

**Insurance.** As a courtesy to our patients, Horizons Diagnostics will file insurance on behalf of the patient. Our office participates in most insurance plans. It is the patient or guarantor's responsibility to ensure the practice has correct insurance information on file. If you are insured in a plan we participate in, but do not have updated insurance information on file, payment in full for each visit is required until we can verify your coverage. If your insurance is a plan we do not participate in, payment in full is expected at each visit.

**Patient Payment.** As a part of the contract with your insurance carrier, copayments, deductibles, and coinsurance are the patient's responsibility and will be collected at the time of each visit.

**Claims.** We will submit claims to the most current insurance on file and assist you in any way we reasonably can to get these claims paid. Your insurance company may not accept all information from our office and require information from you. It is your responsibility to comply with their request. If the claim cannot be processed by the insurance company within 30 days due to incorrect information, the bill for services will become the <u>responsibility of the patient or guarantor.</u>

**Uninsured Patients.** Our office does offer a discount for those who are uninsured. Please be advised this offer is only good if payment for services rendered is received upfront. If not paid on the date of service, the self-pay discount will be removed from the account.

## **Assignment of Insurance Benefits.**

I authorize assignment of insurance benefits to be paid directly to the physician providing services and recognize my responsibility to pay for all non-covered services. I also authorize the physician to release any information necessary to process an insurance claim. I hereby consent to such diagnostic procedures and treatment deemed necessary or advisable while a patient at Horizons Diagnostics.

**Nonpayment.** Statements will be mailed for any balances greater than \$8.88 on a monthly basis. A finance charge of 1.5% will be assessed on any balance greater than 30 days in age. If your account is more than 90 days past due, you will receive a notice in the mail informing you that your account is now eligible to move forward into the collections process. We understand extenuating circumstances therefore payment plan options are available to patients upon request. Please contact your provider's billing office at **(706) 321-0476** to set up payment arrangements or with any questions. Any patients with balances in collections will be required to pay for any future services rendered in full at the time of service.

**Missed Appointments.** A no-show fee will be assessed for any appointments not canceled within 24 hours of the scheduled appointment date. Regular office and/or lab visits will have a \$25 no-show fee. New patient and Annual Physical Appointments have a \$50 no-show fee. Procedural visits range from a \$50 to \$200 no-show fee depending on the type of procedure scheduled.

**Televisits/Phone Management Fee.** If treatment is rendered as a result of telephone evaluation and management, you may be billed for services rendered. These calls could be in reference to medical advice and/or treatment given over the phone. The fees for these services range from \$25 to \$40 per occurrence and are not all reimbursable by your insurance company.

have read and understand the financia	al poli	cy and	agree to	o abide by	y its gu	idelines
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Signature of Patient or Responsible Party	Date



Signature of Guardian/Representative Date

## **MEDICAL RECORDS**

# Release/Request Form

**PH:** 706-321-0476, Option 4 Enterprise **FAX:** 706-323-0245 Woodruff **FAX:**706-327-0870

A. Request Medical Records FROM Horizons Diagnostics.    authorize Horizons Diagnostics to release health care information to the following recip	Date of Birth:	
Please circle and complete the boxes below for either A or B.  A. Request Medical Records FROM Horizons Diagnostics.  I authorize Horizons Diagnostics to release health care information to the following recip  Physician / Name:  Address:  Delivery Method:	I	
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Legal Relationship to Patient

Signature of Witness

Date

# HORIZONS DIAGNOSTICS Caring for Our Community

## NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

An individual has a right to adequate notice of the uses and disclosures of protected health information that may be made by Horizons Diagnostics, and of the individual's rights and Horizons Diagnostics' legal duties with respect to protected health information.

#### **Content of Notice**

- I. Required Elements.
  - Horizons Diagnostics will provide a notice that is written in plain language and that contains the following elements.
- A. Header: The notice contains the following statement as a header or otherwise prominently displayed "THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY."
- B. Uses and disclosures: The notice contains the following information.
  - 1. A description, including at least one example of the types of uses and disclosures that Horizons Diagnostics is permitted to make for each of the following purposes: treatment, payment, and health care operations.
  - 2. A description of each of the other purposes for which Horizons Diagnostics is permitted or required to use or disclose protected health information without the individual's written authorization.
  - 3. If a use or disclosure for any purpose described in paragraphs (1) or (2) of this section is prohibited or materially limited by other applicable law, the description of such use or disclosure will reflect the more stringent law as defined.
  - 4. For each purpose described in paragraph (1) or (2) of this section, the description will include sufficient detail to place the individual on notice of the uses and disclosures that are permitted or required by law.
  - 5. A statement that other uses and disclosures will be made only with the individual's written authorization and that the individual may revoke such authorization.
- C. Separate statements for certain uses or disclosures: Horizons Diagnostics intends to engage in the following activities, and will provide a separate statement in the notice that:
  - 1. Horizons Diagnostics may contact the individual to provide appointment reminders or information about treatment alternatives or other health-related benefits and services that may be of interest to the individual.
  - 2. Horizons Diagnostics may contact the individual to raise funds for the Horizons Diagnostic
- D. Individual rights: The notice contains a statement of the individual's rights with respect to protected health information and a brief description of how the individual may exercise these rights, as follows.
  - The right to request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures of protected health including a statement that Horizons Diagnostics is not required to agree to a requested restriction.
  - 2. The right to receive confidential communications of protected health information.
  - 3. The right to inspect and copy protected health information as per the law.
  - 4. The right to request to amend protected health information as provided by the law.
  - 5. The right to receive an accounting of disclosures of protected health information.
  - 6. The right of an individual, including an individual who has agreed to receive the notice electronically, to obtain a paper copy of the notice from Horizons Diagnostics upon request.

## E. Horizons Diagnostics duties. The notice contains:

- 1. A statement that Horizons Diagnostics, is required by law to maintain the privacy of protected health information and to provide individuals with notice of its legal duties and privacy practices with respect to protected health information.
- 2. A statement that Horizons Diagnostics is required to abide by the terms of the notice currently in effect.
- 3. For Horizons Diagnostics to apply a change in a privacy practice that is described in the notice to protected health information that Horizons Diagnostics created or received prior to issuing a revised notice, a statement that it reserves the right to change the terms of its notice and to make the new notice provisions effective for all protected health information that it maintains. The statement also describes how it will provide individuals with a revised notice.
- F. Complaints: The notice contains a statement that individuals may complain to Horizons Diagnostics and to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services if they believe their privacy rights have been violated, and a brief description of how the individual may file a complaint with the Privacy Officer of Horizons Diagnostics, and a statement that the individual will not be retaliated against for filing a complaint.
- G. Contact: The notice will contain the name, or title, and telephone number of the Privacy Officer to contact for further information.
- H. Effective date: The notice contains the date on which the notice is first in effect which may not be earlier than the date on which the notice is printed or otherwise published.

## II. Revisions to the notice.

Horizons Diagnostics will promptly revise and distribute its notice whenever there is a material change to the uses or disclosures, the individual's rights, Horizons Diagnostics legal duties, or other privacy practices stated in the notice. Except when required by law, a material change to any term of the notice may not be implemented prior to the effective date of the notice in which such material change is reflected.

#### III. Provision of notice.

Horizons Diagnostics will make the notice available on request to any person and to individuals as specified.

## IV. Specific requirements for certain covered health care providers.

If Horizons Diagnostics has a direct treatment relationship with an individual, it will:

- A. Provide the notice no later than the date of the first service delivery, including service delivered electronically, to such individual after the compliance date.
- B. In an emergency treatment situation as soon as reasonably practicable, Horizons Diagnostics must make a good faith effort to obtain written acknowledgement of receipt of the notice and document the good faith and effort, and reason if unable to obtain.
- C. Horizons Diagnostics will:
  - 1. Have the notice available at the service delivery site for individuals to request to take with them.
  - 2. Post the notice in a clear and prominent location where it is reasonable to expect individuals seeking service from Horizons Diagnostics to be able to read the notice.
- D. Whenever the notice is revised, make the notice available upon request on or after the effective date of the revision and promptly comply with the requirements.

## V. Specific requirements for electronic notice.

A. Horizons Diagnostics' web site provides information about customer services and/or benefits and will prominently post its notice on the web site and make the notice available electronically through the web site.

- B. If capable, Horizons Diagnostics may provide the notice required by this section to an individual by email, if the individual agrees to electronic notice and such agreement has not been withdrawn. If Horizons Diagnostics knows that the e-mail transmission has failed, a paper copy of the notice will be provided to the individual. Provision of electronic notice by Horizons Diagnostics will satisfy the provision requirements when made timely.
- C. If the first service delivery to an individual is delivered electronically, Horizons Diagnostics will provide electronic notice automatically and contemporaneously in response to the individual's first request for service.
- D. The individual who is the recipient of electronic notice retains the right to obtain a paper copy of the notice from Horizons Diagnostics upon request.

## VI. <u>Joint notice by separate covered entities.</u>

If Horizons Diagnostics and another organization participate in organized health care arrangements, it may comply with this section by a joint notice, provided that:

- A. The covered entities participating in the organized health care arrangement agree to abide by the terms of the notice with respect to protected health information created or received by Horizons Diagnostics as part of its participation in the organized health care arrangement.
- B. The joint notice meets the implementation specifications, except that the statements required by this section may be altered to reflect the fact that the notice covers more than Horizons Diagnostics; and
  - 1. Describes with reasonable specificity the covered entities, or class of entities to which the joint notice applies.
  - 2. Describes with reasonable specificity the service delivery sites, or classes of service delivery sites, to which the joint notice applies.
  - 3. If applicable, states that the covered entities participating in the organized health care arrangement will share protected health information with each other, as necessary to carry out treatment payment or health care operations relating to the organized health care arrangement.
- C. The covered entities included in the joint notice will provide the notice to individuals in accordance with the applicable implementation specifications. Provision of the joint notice to an individual by any one of the covered entities included in the joint notice will satisfy the provision requirements of this section with respect to all others covered by the joint notice.

#### VII. Documentation.

Horizons Diagnostics will document compliance with the notice requirements by retaining copies of the notices issued by Horizons Diagnostics and, if applicable, any written acknowledgements of receipt of the notice of documentation of good faith efforts to obtain such written acknowledgement.