

HACKETTSTOWN PEDIATRICS, LLC

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Hackettstown, NJ 07840**

ALL INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETED

Patient Information:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Parents E-Mail: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Father/Guardian Information:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address if different from patient: _____

Social Security # _____ Phone: _____

Employer: _____ Full or Part time: _____

Employer Address: _____

Street or PO Box City State Zip Code

Cell Phone # _____ Work Phone: _____

Mother/Guardian Information:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address if different from patient: _____

Social Security # _____ Phone: _____

Employer: _____ Full or Part time: _____

Employer Address: _____

Street or PO Box City State Zip Code

Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Emergency contact if we cannot contact you:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Patient Name: _____

Primary Insurance Information:

Name of Insurance Subscriber: _____

Name of Insurance: _____ Copay Amount: _____

ID Number: _____ Group # _____

Secondary Insurance Information:

Name of Insurance Subscriber: _____

Name of Insurance: _____ Copay Amount: _____

ID Number: _____ Group # _____

- I hereby authorize Hackettstown Pediatrics, LLC to evaluate, treat, and coordinate healthcare and related services for the patient named on this form.
- I hereby authorize Hackettstown Pediatrics, LLC to release to my insurers, its agents and/or assigns, any information necessary to determine the payment of benefits for services rendered.
- I authorize payment of benefits to be made to Hackettstown Pediatrics, LLC for services rendered.

Signature of Patient: _____
(parent/guardian if patient is a minor child)

Allergies: _____

Please list any medications taken on a regular basis, including multivitamins and/or herbal supplements.

Pharmacy: _____ Pharmacy Phone: _____

Do you have a prescription plan? Yes No

Race: _____ Ethnicity: _____ Preferred Language: _____

_____ I prefer to not answer questions regarding race, ethnicity, or language.

Payment is expected when services are rendered unless prior arrangements have been made. Thank you.

HACKETTSTOWN PEDIATRICS, LLC Office Payment Policy

It is the policy of this office to request payment at the time of service. If you will be submitting insurance claims, we request your coinsurance or copay at the time of service. **Copays that are not paid at the time of service and have to be billed will assessed a ten percent processing and postage charge.** We will gladly submit your claim for you. Please remember that you are ultimately responsible for the balance of your account and to be informed of your plans benefits. If we do not receive payment from your insurance company, or there is a portion due from you, we will bill you twice. If, after the second billing, you do not pay your bill or contact the office, your account will be charged a ten percent billing fee. If your account remains unpaid after three billing cycles you will be referred to our collection agency for payment. Payment methods accepted by our office are cash, money order, Visa, MasterCard and Discover credit/debit cards.

This office does not get involved in domestic situations; therefore the parent who brings the child in for treatment is responsible for paying the copay. We cannot bill the other parent for the copay in the case of divorce or separation.

All patients, including those with Managed Care HMO plans are responsible for knowing the limitations and allowances of their plan. We make every effort to be aware of what your plan allows, however, it is impossible for us to know what your benefits are as each employer negotiates separate plans for their business. It is your responsibility to know if you need referrals, precertification's, etc. Due to the increased volume of our practice, we require 48 hours' notice for referral requests. Please do not go to a specialist without a referral and expect our staff to fax a referral immediately because we may not be able to accommodate you immediately and you will be forced to reschedule your appointment. Specialist will not see you without a referral. All referrals must be approved by either Dr. Kedzierska or Dr. Sakowski.

Missed appointment charge. Please call the office and leave a message if you cannot keep your scheduled appointment so that we may give that time slot to another patient who may need to be seen by the doctor. We are aware that we all have busy schedules and from time to time you may forget an appointment. We will call to reschedule your missed appointment. However, if you repeatedly miss your appointments without calling to cancel you will be charged a missed appointment fee of \$30.00.

I have read, understand and agree to the terms above.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

**Hackettstown Pediatrics, LLC
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I understand that under the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPPA), I have certain rights to privacy regarding my protected health information. I understand that this information can and will be used to:

- Conduct, plan and direct my treatment and follow-up among multiple healthcare providers who may be involved in that treatment directly or indirectly.
- Obtain payment from third-party payers.
- Conduct normal healthcare operations such as quality assessments and physician certifications.

If I would like a full copy of Hackettstown Pediatric's *Notice of Privacy Practices* containing a more complete description of the uses and disclosures of my health information, I may request one from the front desk. I understand that this office has the right to change its *Notice of Privacy Practices* from time to time and that I may contact this office at any time at the address above to obtain a current copy of the *Notice of Privacy Practices*.

I understand that I may request in writing that you restrict how my private information is used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment or healthcare operations. I also understand you are not required to agree to my requested restrictions, but if you do agree, then you are bound to abide by such restrictions.

Patient Name: _____

Relationship to Patient: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

I attempted to obtain the patient or guardian's signature in acknowledgement on this Notice of Privacy Practices Acknowledgement, but was unable to do so as documented below:

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Reason: _____

VACCINE AND ALTERNATE VACCINE POLICY FOR HACKETTSTOWN PEDIATRICS, LLC

Dear Parents,

In accordance with the guidelines of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Center for Disease Control, it is recommended that all children are vaccinated according to the AAP and CDC vaccination schedule. It is our policy to not accept children into our practice that are not being immunized. We also are no longer offering parents the option to delay or choose an “alternative vaccine schedule” at Hackettstown Pediatrics.

The dangers of alternative vaccine scheduling proposals are numerous and it is important to understand them:

- Delaying any vaccine is an obvious risk. The longer you wait to protect your baby against sickness, the higher his or her chance of contracting or developing an illness becomes. Unvaccinated children also pose a risk to young babies that are still too young to be fully vaccinated or children that are immunocompromised. Timing is critical in disease prevention and that is why all vaccines have a schedule.
- Vaccine schedules are well studied both for their safety and their effectiveness. Breaks in that routine or proposed schedule, and you are taking a chance with your child’s health, in addition to the health of other children your child comes in contact with. You are setting a schedule that has not been studied in large numbers of children, and there may be some unforeseen problem with the invented schedule that puts your baby at risk.

Thank you for understanding our position on vaccination and alternate vaccine scheduling. Our goal is to provide you and your children with the safest and most accepted vaccine schedule proposed by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Center for Disease Control.

Please sign to acknowledge your understanding and acceptance of our office vaccine policy.

Signature of Parent /Guardian

Date

Print Parent/Guardian Name

Prohibition of Recording Devices

Hackettstown Pediatrics LLC reserves the right to prohibit any and all use of recording devices during an office visit. We prohibit the use of all recording devices in the waiting area, office, hallways and exam rooms for photograph, video recording, audio recording or other imaging. It is against our direct policy to photograph, record video, record audio or any imaging without expressed written consent from all parties involved. Direct violation of this policy will result in legal action, as well as discharge from Hackettstown Pediatrics LLC.

Patient Name(s): _____

Parent / Guardian Name: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____

PATIENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR FOLLOW-UP CARE PLEDGE

Hackettstown Pediatrics LLC
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Patient Name _____

Date of Birth _____

I, _____ hereby acknowledge and understand that
(parent /guardian / self - print first and last name)

even with the best training, skill and experience, a medically trained professional is not always capable of solving my/my child's/my dependent's medical problems. Therefore, I understand it is important that any and all recommendations by doctors are followed completely in order to increase the likelihood of a positive and healthy treatment/outcome. I acknowledge and understand that if any physician in this office prescribes medicine to me/my child/my dependent, that the proper taking of any such medicine shall be my sole responsibility (or my guardian who has attended this consultation). I agree to properly follow the prescribed dosage and frequency amounts of these medicines as recommended by my/my child's/my dependent's doctor.

I understand that if a doctor in this office refers me/my child/my dependent to see another doctor or receive another test including, but not limited to, a blood test, an X-ray, an MRI, or CT Scan, this timely recommendation is important and essential to the ultimate success of my/my child's/my dependent's treatment/outcome. I understand that it is not possible for any person in this office to constantly follow-up to ensure that I have followed these recommendations. Therefore, I understand that if I fail to see that specialist or obtain the test for which I was referred immediately, this can risk my/my child's/my dependent's current health or increase future health risks.

I understand that it is solely my responsibility to follow up on any of the medical advice given by any medical person in this office and any bad health outcome from my failure to follow the advice of my/my child's/my dependent's doctors should be expected.

Signature _____ Date _____

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COVID-19 INFORMED CONSENT

Hackettstown Pediatrics prioritizes the health and wellbeing of our patients and staff. To meet this objective, we have implemented changes to our operations, protocols and procedures in light of the coronavirus (COVID-19).

Despite the precautions that we are taking to reduce the risk of infection of COVID-19, it is important for you to recognize the risk of exposure to COVID-19 when you are in our office.

It is also important for you to know that Hackettstown Pediatrics is not testing patients for COVID-19 who are suspected of having COVID-19 and is not treating confirmed COVID-19 patients.

Hackettstown Pediatrics has taken precautions with regard to COVID-9 such as routine cleaning of exam rooms and common areas, such as waiting rooms, implemented screening procedures for patients who are scheduled for in-person visits, implemented procedures for staff, have a policy of social distancing of staff and patients while at the office.

Despite taking these precautions, there are no guarantees that these precautions will prevent you from coming in contact with COVID-19 and contracting COVID-19 at the office if you have an in-person appointment. As a result, by having an in-person office appointment, you understand and acknowledge that you assume the risk of coming into contact and contracting COVID-19.

You understand and acknowledge that contracting COVID-19 may result in, among other things, extended quarantine/ self- isolation, additional tests, hospitalization that may require medical long-term intubation, other potential complications, stroke and death.

You understand and acknowledge that high risk patients are at a higher risk of death, stroke and or prolonged hospitalization, intensive care treatment; intubation/ventilator support or other prolonged illness in the event that high risk patients become infected with COVID-19. High risk COVID-19 patients include, among others: (1) 65 years old or older; (2) patients, regardless of age, with lung disease (COPD, asthma, pulmonary hypertension, pulmonary fibrosis, cystic fibrosis, oxygen dependent, etc.); (3) patients, regardless of age, with heart disease (heart attack/stent/bypass surgery in the past six months, history of congestive heart failure, etc.); (4) patients, regardless of age, with diabetes mellitus; (5) patients, regardless of age, with immunosuppression or those taking immunocompromising medications.

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Just as important, if you are not at high risk of COVID-19, you are still at risk of harm from COVID-19 as explained above. You understand and acknowledge that COVID-19 may cause additional risks, some or many of which may not currently be known at this time, in addition to the risks described herein.

Based on the discussion you had with Hackettstown Pediatrics, you understand and acknowledge the risks and prognosis if no treatment is received or if you delay your appointment. You have been given the option to defer your appointment to a later date. Even though you understand all the potential risks including, but not limited to the potential short-term and long-term complications related to COVID-19, you would like to proceed with your in-person appointment.

I believe that I have adequate knowledge upon which to base an informed consent to have an in-person visit to Hackettstown Pediatrics. I certify that I have read and fully understand the above that the explanations referenced above were made to me. I acknowledge that I have been afforded the opportunity to ask any questions including the risks and consequences. I have read and fully understand this form, and I represent that I am signing this consent voluntarily and intend to be legally bound by it.

Patient Name

Parent/ Guardian Name

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

(Office staff)

Signature of Primary Physician

Date

Signature of Witness

Date