



Dear Patient,

Please review the attached paperwork and fill out all forms in their entirety in the privacy of your home. Bring all completed paperwork to your initial appointment. Should you have any questions regarding this paperwork, please do not hesitate to contact our office for assistance. This information will allow us to treat you effectively and safely.

Please bring shorts and a t-shirt (sports bra or tank top for women) with you for your exam. **We also ask that you do not wear any perfumes, colognes, or scented lotions on the day of your visit.**

If possible, please have your referring physician's office fax your pertinent medical records and/or testing to our office at (757) 689-4357 prior to your scheduled appointment date. If you have had any diagnostic testing performed it would be very helpful for us to have those reports as well.

When you come to your appointment, please make sure to bring your photo ID, your insurance card(s), your co-pay, and a referral from your primary care physician if your insurance company requires one.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (757) 496-2050.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gershon and Staff

Date \_\_\_\_\_



**Patient Questionnaire**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  Right Handed  Left Handed

Referring Physician/Primary Care Physician: \_\_\_\_\_

When did your pain first begin? \_\_\_\_\_

Who have you seen for this pain? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What treatment and/or tests have you undergone? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe your pain (Please check all that apply):

- Sharp                       Dull                       Burning                       Aching                       Knife-like
- Pulsating                       Pressure                       Deep                       Throbbing                       Stinging

Where is your pain currently located? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does it shoot or refer anywhere? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your pain present constantly or intermittently? If you answer intermittently, how long does it last and is there a time of day that is better or worse? \_\_\_\_\_

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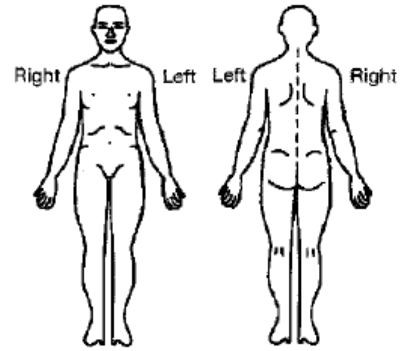
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Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Patient Questionnaire (continued)

How severe is your pain?

- 0 No Pain
- 1-2 Mild pain, requires no medication
- 3-4 Mild-moderate pain, requires mild medications
- 5-6 Moderate pain, requires strong medication
- 7-8 Moderate-Severe, constant pain, requires narcotic or ER visit
- 9-10 Severe, constant pain, requires admission to hospital



PLEASE DRAW AN ARROW TO THE LOCATION OF YOUR PAIN USING THE ABOVE ILLUSTRATION

What makes your pain better? (Examples: rest, stretching, changing positions) \_\_\_\_\_

What makes your pain worse? (Examples: activity, prolonged sitting/standing) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you experience any of the following? (Please check all that apply)

- |                                   |  |   |                                       |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Numbness | <input type="checkbox"/> Tingling          | <input type="checkbox"/> Pins & Needles     | <input type="checkbox"/> Burning      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weakness | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleep Disturbance | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Dysfunction | <input type="checkbox"/> Incontinence |

Past Medical History: Please list any medical problems that you have or have been treated for in the past.

(Examples: diabetes, heart disease, lung disease, hypertension, high cholesterol, vascular disease, cancer, etc.)

Please list any surgeries: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Pharmacy: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list current medications: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any allergies to medications: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Patient Questionnaire (continued)

### REVIEW OF SYSTEMS: (Please check all that apply)

**Constitutional:** Fever Chills Sweats Anorexia Fatigue Malaise Weight loss Weight Gain Insomnia

**Eyes:** Blurring Double Vision Irritation Discharge Vision Loss Eye Pain Photophobia

**ENT:** Ear Pain Tinnitus Decreased Hearing Nosebleeds Sore Throat Hoarseness Difficulty Swallowing

**CV:** Chest Pain Palpitations Syncope PND Orthopnea Peripheral Edema Cold Hands/Feet

**Resp:** Cough Dyspnea Excessive Sputum Coughing up Blood Wheezing Asthma Emphysema

**GI:** Nausea Vomiting Diarrhea Constipation Abdominal pain Melena Blood in Stool Jaundice

**GU:** Pain with urination Frequent nighttime urination Urinating blood Impotence Incontinence Genital Sores Decreased Libido

**MSK:** Back Pain Joint Pain Joint Swelling Muscle Cramps Muscle Weakness Stiffness Arthritis

**Neuro:** Transient Paralysis Weakness Paresthesias Seizures Syncope Tremors Vertigo Headaches

**Psych:** Depression Anxiety Memory Loss Mental Disturbance Suicidal Ideation \_\_\_\_\_

**Endo:** Cold Intolerance Heat Intolerance Polydipsia Polyphagia Polyuria \_\_\_\_\_

**Heme:** Abnormal Bruising Bleeding Enlarged Lymph Nodes Sickle Cell \_\_\_\_\_

**Immun:** Urticaria Hay Fever Persistent Infections HIV Exposure \_\_\_\_\_

**Integ:** Itching Rash Hives Skin Cancer Dermatitis Eczema \_\_\_\_\_

Please list job title and employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Single  Married  Widowed  Separated  Divorced

Please list ages of children (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you smoke? Y / N Have you ever smoked in the past? Y / N Quit Date \_\_\_\_\_

How much alcohol do you drink per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list major medical problems of family members (such as hypertension, diabetes, heart disease, strokes, cancer, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Personal history of illicit drug or prescription drug or alcohol overuse / abuse? Y / N

Family history of illicit drug or prescription drug or alcohol overuse / abuse? Y / N

What do you hope to accomplish with this visit today? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



## Patient Information

**Patient Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M. Previous Name (if applicable)

**Social Security Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ **Gender:** M F

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address City State Zip

**Contact: Home:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Employer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Employer Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency Contact Information

**Emergency Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Insurance Information

**Primary Insurance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Subscriber:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Subscriber DOB:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ **Subscriber SSN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Secondary Insurance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Subscriber:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Subscriber DOB:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ **Subscriber SSN:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Disclosure to Family Members/Friends

Please list any person(s) that you would like to grant permission to your provider to discuss your medical record, plan of care, and/or financial information:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that the information in my health record may include information relating to sexually transmitted diseases, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) or human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). It may also include information about behavioral or mental health services and treatment for alcohol and drug abuse. I understand that I have a right to revoke this authorization at any time. I understand that the revocation will not apply to information that has already been released in response to this authorization. I understand that authorizing the disclosure of this health information is voluntary.

**Patient Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



## Policies

### **INSURANCE:**

If you have insurance, we will help you receive maximum benefits. Insurance is a contract between you and your insurance company. We are not a party to this contract. We file insurance claims as a courtesy to our patients. We will not become involved in disputes between you and your insurance company regarding deductibles, co-payments, covered charges, secondary insurance, “usual and customary” charges, etc., other than to supply factual information as necessary.

### **FINANCIAL:**

You are responsible for the timely payment of your account. We expect payment in full or payment arrangements at the time of service. If your insurance company has not paid the full balance within 45 days, you have 15 days to pay the balance. When the insurance company makes payment on the submitted charge, you will be sent a notice of this payment. Any remaining balance will be due at that time. If making a credit card payment by mail or phone, I authorize Gershon Pain Specialists to process my payment using the credit card information provided. If the balance is not paid within 30 days, the account will be turned over to our collection agency for collection. All accounts turned over to our collection agency for collection will be responsible and billed for attorney fees (33.3%) and court cost.

### **APPOINTMENTS:**

Our goal at Gershon Pain Specialists is to make sure that all patients are seen in a timely manner. Therefore any patient that fails to show up for their regularly scheduled office appointment time or give 24 hours advance notice for a cancellation or reschedule will be assessed a \$25.00 fee. EMG and procedure appointments that fail to show or give 24 hours advance notice for a cancellation or reschedule will be assessed a \$50.00 fee.

### **RETURNED CHECK POLICY:**

In the event that a check is returned for insufficient funds, a \$50.00 charge will be added to your account. If any balance is not paid in full within 3 business days, an additional \$55.00 fee will be added, and we will forward your returned check to Harvey L. Bryant, Commonwealth Attorney – City of Virginia Beach, for prosecution.

### **COLLECTIONS:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby authorize Gershon Pain Specialists to apply and receive benefits on my behalf for services rendered. I request that payment be made directly to Gershon Pain Specialists. I certify that the information provided herein regarding insurance coverage is current, true, and accurate, to the best of my knowledge. I further authorize the release of any necessary medical or other relevant information for this or any related claim to my insurance company(ies), including Workers’ Compensation carriers who either have a pending or accepted case. I permit a copy of this authorization and assignment to be used in place of the original. This will remain in force and effect unless and until revoked by me in writing. I understand and agree that I am financially responsible for all charges whether or not billed to or paid by said insurance. I agree to assume responsibility for all charges incurred should collection of this balance become necessary, including court costs and attorneys’ fees of 33.3%.

### **BLOOD TESTING:**

If health care workers are accidentally exposed to my blood or other bodily fluids in the course of providing health care to me, I agree to have my blood tested for any infectious diseases which might be transmitted to them through this exposure, including HIV/AIDS and hepatitis.

### **PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM:**

I understand that Gershon Pain Specialists utilizes the Prescription Monitoring Program.

### **URINE DRUG SCREENING:**

Through technological advances in medicinal pain management, it is the policy of Gershon Pain Specialists to provide and mandate urine monitoring for all of our patients when prescribing scheduled medications. Periodic urine monitoring is a significant breakthrough technology that will assist your provider in determining your individual course of therapy. By monitoring quantitative drug levels, your treatment will be maximized by potentially eliminating drug-to-drug interactions, the possibility of unwanted side effects, and to assist your provider in proper titration of prescribed medications.

## **Policies (continued)**

**TREATMENT:**

I hereby consent to treatment by the Gershon Pain Specialists and/or affiliated medical staff members on behalf of my minor child/children and myself. I accept responsibility for payment of fees for such medical services. I understand that treatment may include injections, manipulations, medication management, and/or other procedures as deemed necessary and appropriate.

**RELEASE OF INFORMATION:**

I hereby authorize the release of any and all medical and/or charge information as is necessary for third-party reimbursement from any governmental agency or insurance payer involved in the payment of my or my child's/children's treatment. I authorize the release of any and all medical information to any physician and/or hospital involved in my or my child's/children's care. I authorize the use of limited medical information for the purpose of improving healthcare operations and clinical care when such information is utilized within the law. I further authorize representatives of Gershon Pain Specialists to leave appointment and testing reminders on my answering machine.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CERTIFICATIONS:**

I, Parent/Guardian/Patient, acknowledge that I was provided with Gershon Pain Specialists' Patients Rights & Responsibilities and given an opportunity to ask questions about the information provided. I have read and agree to the terms of the Patient Financial Policy. I certify that I understood the contents of this form. Furthermore, I permit a copy of this document to be used in place of the original. I acknowledge that I have read the Notice of Privacy Practices for Gershon Pain Specialists.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE POLICIES.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Signature (Parent or Guardian, if under 18)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Notice and Acknowledgement**

I acknowledge that I have read the Notice of Privacy Practices (always available for review on request) for Gershon Pain Specialists.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Signature or Personal Representative's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

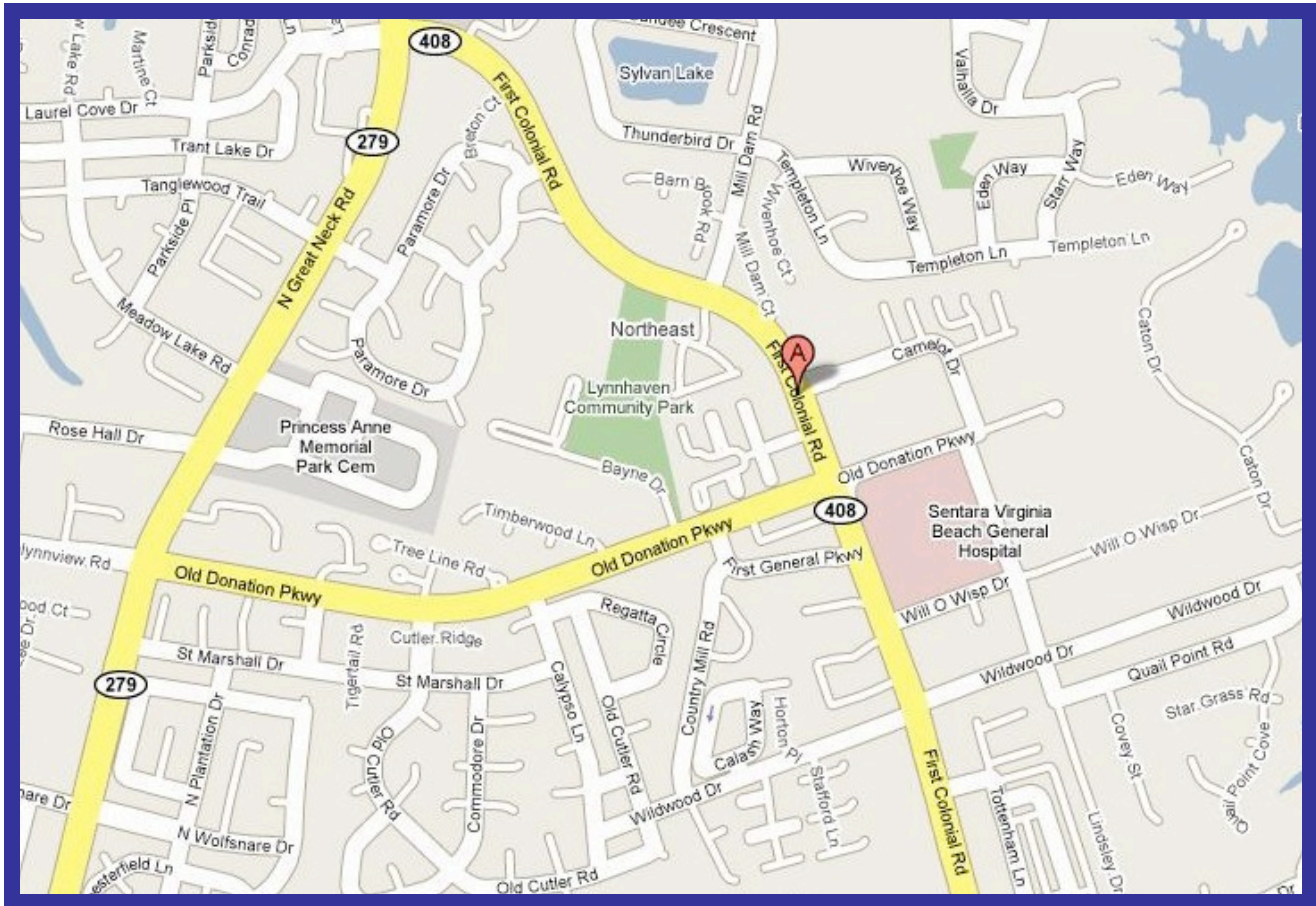
\*If Personal Representative's signature appears above, please describe Personal Representative's relationship to the patient: \_\_\_\_\_





# GERSHON PAIN SPECIALISTS

YOUR PATH TO PAIN RELIEF



## **Gershon Pain Specialists is located at 1133 First Colonial Road.**

From Interstate 264:

1. Take the First Colonial Road North Exit, 21B.
2. Continue on First Colonial Road past Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital.
3. We are located in a 1-story L-shaped, brick building on the left side of the street, just past the light at Old Donation Parkway.
4. You will pass the building, then make a u-turn on First Colonial Road; turn into parking lot on right.

From Great Neck Road:

1. Turn onto First Colonial Road.
2. Go through the light at Mill Dam Road.
3. We are located in a 1-story L-shaped, brick building on the right side of the street, past Mill Dam Road.