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# Patient information: An Introduction to Traditional Chinese Medicine

Traditional Chinese Medicine is a complete medical system which originated in Asia over two thousand years ago. In includes acupuncture, herbal medicine and a number of other natural modalities such as cupping, guasha, electrical stimulation, acupuncture point injection therapy and tuina (Chinese massage).

Acupuncture and Chinese medicine are safe, effective and drug-free therapies that has been cited by WHO (World Health Organization) to treat over 43 conditions including: addiction (alcohol/smoking), allergy, musculoskeletal disorder, back pain, osteoarthritis, chronic fatigue, migraine, emotional problems, stress, infertility and many others (please refer to <a href="https://www.acupuncturecare.biz">www.acupuncturecare.biz</a> for a complete list).

In TCM (Traditional Chinese Medicine) there exists a meridian system that runs all throughout the body. There are over 360 specific points on these meridians and they are all connected to the internal organs and body functions. In a healthy body, vital energy (or Qi – pronounced as "chee") in these meridians flows freely resulting in a balanced system. If the flow of energy is interrupted by the stress or injury, that negatively effects the balance in the body causing disease.

By performing acupuncture using the points associated with a particular meridian or organ, the Qi or balance is restored and the diseased condition is relieved. Acupuncture is performed with extremely thin, individually packaged, FDA approved and sterilized stainless steel needles. The process is typically painless and the patient usually experiences slight soreness, numbness, warmth or pressure at the site of insertion.

Each patient's response to acupuncture may vary depending on their health condition, how chronic it is, and overall williness to participate in the treatment process. Most patients usually notice an improvement by the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> treatment. Very often they also notice an improvement in other areas of their health condition since Chinese Medicine is a holistic health system that treats body as a whole. It is important to follow your acupuncture physician's guidelines for herbal, supplement or dietary recommendations as closely as possible. On rare occasions, symptoms may become slightly worse after the treatment which is usually a sign of an underlying conditions being addressed so that the healing can occur. That should get resolved quickly.

Patients are advised not to come to their acupuncture appointment on a too full or empty stomach and it is best not to take hot baths and avoid vigorous physical activity during the rest of the day following the treatment.

### PATIENT INFORMATION FORM

Please Note: This is a confidential record of your medical history and will be kept in this office. Information contained here will not be released to any person except when you have authorized us to do so. Name M.I. Last Name Address State Home Phone ( SS# Age DOB Drivers License # Male □ Female Occupation Employer Married □ Single □ Divorced Name of Spouse **Emergency Contact** Telephone ( Friend □ Relative □ Referred by Insurance Other  $\square$ PRIMARY INSURANCE Group □ Work/Comp □ Auto □ Other □ Cash 🗖 Name of Insurance Co. ID#. Group# Name of Insured Relationship to Patient: Self Spouse Parent Parent Secondary Insurance Name of Insured I understand that this is a quotation of benefits and is NOT a guarantee of payment, and the agreement is between the Insurance Carrier and me. I authorize any and all payment from my insurance carrier directly to this office with the understand that all monies be credit to my account upon receipt. Any denial of payment becomes my responsibility (patient). Patient Name (print) Patient Signature Date 24 HOUR CANCELLATION POLICY & CREDIT AUTHORIZATION RELEASE \_takes pride in the quality of care he offers his patients. In order to do this he has a strict cancellation policy. Dr. \_ requires a 24-hour cancellation notice prior to your appointment time. If sufficient time is not given, the full fee will be charged to the credit card we have on file. authorize Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ to charge the credit card given below, for cancellation fees, insurance co-payments and related charges. V-code Visa □ / MC □ Patient Name (print) Patient Signature Date

NAME		DATE	
1 2 3 4	hat would you most like to achieve through your work		
II. Major Sy (most concern)  1  2  3  4	ymptoms: Please list in order of importance what symptom erning to least, along with the duration of the symptom lowing illustration to indicate painful or distressed area	stoms are of concern to you.  Are y	
		your  If yes left, p the di symb feelin  X X X P P P P D D D	body? Y / N s, using the models to the please indicate the location of iscomfort by using the pol that best describes the ng:  X Sharp/stabbing Pins & Needles
For Womer 1. Are you	n: pregnant now? [ ]Yes [ ]No [ ]Unsure		
	number of occurrences: Pregnancies Miscarriages A	Abortions	

3. Age: First period \_\_\_\_\_ Menopause (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Date: Last Pap Smear \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Last Mammogram \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

5. Any History of an Abnormal Pap Smear? [ ] Yes [ ] No If so, what / when?

6. Is your menses cycle regular				
<ul><li>a) Average number of days of</li><li>b) The flow is: [ ] Normal [</li><li>c) The color is: [ ] Normal [</li></ul>		t Brown [ ] Brown		
7. Do you have the following	menstruation related signs/symp	ptoms?		
[ ] Difficulty with Orgasm	[ ] Cramps	[ ] PMS	[ ] Heavy Vaginal discharge	
[ ] Pain with Intercourse	[ ] Nausea	[ ] Bleeding between Periods	between periods	
[ ] Blood Clots	[ ] Breast Distention	[ ] Vaginal Discharge		
For Men:  1. Do you have any botherson	ne urinary symptoms? [ ] Yes	[ ] No		
Describe:				
2. Check all that apply:				
[ ] Erectile dysfunction	[ ] Difficulty with orgasm	[ ] Pain or swelling of the	[ ] Frequent need to urinate	
[ ] Impotence/erectile	[ ] Premature ejaculation	testicles [ ] Feeling of coldness or numbness in genitalia	at night	
dysfunction	[ ] Pain/Subtly of testicles			
3. Do you get up at night to u	rinate? [ ] Yes [ ] No Hov	v often?		
4. To what extent do these cos	nditions interfere with your daily	v activities (work, sleep, socializing,	sex, etc.)?	
5. Have you sought Medical in	ntervention for these problems?	If so, when?		
6. What treatments have you t	ried for these problems and hov	v successful have they been?		
III. Medical History				
Please check all that apply Diabetes High Blood Pressure Thyroid Disease Cancer HIV	Date Diagno////////	High Cholesterol High Blood Pressure	Date Diagnosed////////	
IV. Surgical History			Date	
			Date _ Date	

## V. Family History

e) Foods you tend to crave: \_\_

f) Foods you dislike: \_

Please check all that apply and state how you are related to the family member with that condition.

	Mother	Father	Sibling	Maternal Grandparent	Paternal Grandparent
Heart disease				1	
Cancer					
Hypertension					
Stroke					
Asthma					
Allergies					
Migraines					
Depression					
Other mental illness					
Substance abuse					
Osteoporosis					
Diabetes					
Glaucoma					
Allergies (to medications, chemical	ls or foods):				

IX. Social History
1. How much per day do you use of the following? a) Coffee, tea, soft drinks:
b) Alcohol:
c) Cigarettes, cigars, other tobacco:
2. Have you ever had a problem with alcohol or alcoholism? [ ] Yes [ ] No
3. Have you ever had a problem with dependency on other drugs? [ ] Yes [ ] No
4. If yes which and when?
5. Do you have a known history of any exposure to toxic substances? [ ] Yes [ ] No
6. If so, please list which and when you first noticed symptoms?
7. In the past year, how many days have been significantly affected by your health?
8. How many days did you feel generally poor?
9. How many times were you in the hospital?
10. Please describe your current exercise regimen:  Hours per week: Activities: [ ] No Exercise
11. How many hours of sleep do you usually get per night during the week?
12. Do you awake feeling rested? [ ] Yes [ ] No Do you feel you sleep well at night? [ ] Yes [ ] No
13. Who would you describe as your source of primary social support? (relationship to you)
X. Other Information  Please list and briefly describe the most significant events in your life:  1
2
4Have you been treated for emotional issues? [ ] Yes [ ] No
Have you ever considered or attempted suicide? [ ] Yes [ ] No
Do you have any other neurological or psychological problem? [ ] Yes [ ] No
Please provide us with any other information that you think is relevant for us to know:

HEALTH: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

GENE	ERAL		CARI	DIOVASCU	LAR	FEM	ALE	
Past [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Current [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Condition Poor appetite Excessive appetite Insomnia Fatigue Fevers Night sweats Sweat easily Chills Localized weakness Poor coordination Bleed or bruise easily Catch cold easily Change in appetite Strong thirst Other:	<u>Past</u>	Current  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [	Condition High blood pressure Low blood pressure Blood clots Palpitations Phlebitis Chest pain Irregular heart beat Cold hands / feet Fainting Difficult breathing Swelling of hands / feet Other:	Past [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Current  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [	Condition Frequent urinary tract infections Frequent vaginal infections Pain / itching of genitalia Genital lesions / discharge Pelvic inflammatory disease Abnormal pap smear Irregular menstrual periods Painful menstrual periods Premenstrual syndrome Abnormal bleeding Menopausal syndrome Breast lumps Hot flashes Menopausal syndrome Other:
SKIN	& HAIR		[]	[]	Asthma Bronchitis	NEU	ROLOGIC	CAL.
<u>Past</u> [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Current [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Condition Rashes Hives Itching Eczema Pimples Dryness Tumors, lumps			Frequent colds Chronic obstructive Pulmonary disease Pneumonia Cough Coughing blood Production of phlegm Other:	<u>Past</u> [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	<u>Current</u> [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Condition Seizures Tremors Numbness/tingling of limbs Concussion Pain Paralysis Other:
HECK	& NECK		GAST	RO-INTE	STINAL	PSYC	CHOLOGI	CAL
Past [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Current  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [	Condition Dizziness Fainting Neck stiffness Enlarged lymph glands Headaches Concussions Other:  Condition Infection Ringing Decreased hearing Other:	Past [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Current  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [	Condition Nausea Vomiting Diarrhea Belching Blood in stools/black Stools Bad breath Rectal pain Hemorrhoids Constipation Pain or cramps Indigestion Gall bladder disorder Gas	<u>Past</u> [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	<u>Current</u> [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Condition Depression Anxiety / stress Irritability Treated for emotional or Psychological problems Other: CREENING Condition HIV TB Hepatitis Gonorrhea Chlamydia
EVEC			[ ]	[ ]	Other:	[ ]	[ ]	Syphilis
EYES    Past	Current [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Condition Blurred vision Visual changes Poor night vision Spots Cataracts Glasses / contacts Eye inflammation Other:	GEN    Past	ITO-URIN	ARY  Condition  Kidney stones Pain or urination Frequent urination Blood in urine Urgency to urinate Unable to hold urine Other:	[ ] [ ] <b>MUS</b> <u>Past</u> [ ] [ ] [ ]	<u>Current</u> [ ] [ ] [ ]	Genital warts Herpes: oral Herpes: genital  KELETAL  Condition Stiff neck / shoulders Low back pain Back pain Muscle spasm, twitching, cramp Sore, cold or weak knees
NOSE	, THROA	T, MOUTH	MAL	E		[]	[]	Joint pain
<u>Past</u> [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Current [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Condition  Nose bleeds Sinus infections Hay fever or allergies Recurring sore throats Grinding teeth Difficulty swallowing	<u>Past</u> [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	<u>Current</u> [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Condition Pain / itching genitalia Genital lesions/ discharge Impotence Weak urinary stream Lumps in testicles Other:	LJ	. 1	J 1

### OUR CLINIC PROTECTS YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION AND PRIVACY

Dear Valued Patient,

This notice describes our office's policy for how medical information about you may be used and disclosed, how you can get access to this information, and how your privacy is being protected.

In order to maintain the level of service that you expect from our office, we may need to share limited personal medical and financial information with your insurance company and with Worker's Compensation (and your employer as well in this instance), or with other medical practitioners. We will obtain your authorization before disclosing any information.

### Safeguards in place at our office include:

- Limited access to facilities where information is stored.
- Policies and procedures for handling information.
- Requirements for third parties to contractually comply with privacy laws.
- All medical files and records (including email, regular mail, telephone, and faxes sent) are kept on permanent file.

### Types of information that we gather and use:

In administering your health care, we gather and maintain information that may include non-public personal information:

- About your financial transactions with us (billing transactions).
- From your medical history, treatment notes, all test results, and any letters, faxes, emails or telephone conversations to or from other health care practitioners.
- From health care providers, insurance companies, worker's comp and your employer, and other third party administrators (e.g. requests for medical records, claim payment information).

In certain states, you may be able to access and correct personal information we have collected about you, (information that can identify you -e.g. your name, address, Social Security number, etc.).

Yours sincerely,

Olga V. Ways, L.Ac,

# **Acknowledgement of Notice of Privacy Practices**

I have been presented with a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices for the office of Olga V. Ways, DOM, AP, detailing how my information may be used and disclosed as permitted under federal and state law.

Signed:	Date:
If not signed by patient, please indicate relationship	to patient (e.g., mother) and patient's name.
Patient:	
Relationship:	