

Mendocino County Office of Education

workers' compensation: Pre-Designation of Personal Physician

If you have health insurance and you are injured on the job you have the right to be treated immediately by your personal physician (M.D., D.O), or medical group, if you notify your employer, in writing, prior to the injury. Per Labor Code 4600 to qualify as the your predesignated, personal physician, the physician must agree, in writing, to treat you for a work related injury, must have previously directed your medical care and must retain your medical history and records. Your predesignated physician must be a family practitioner, general practitioner, board certified or board eligible internist, obstetrician-gynecologist or pediatrician. Your "personal physician" may be a medical group if it is a single corporation or partnership composed of licensed doctors or medicine or osteopathy, which operates an integrated multi-specialty medical group providing comprehensive medical services predominantly for non-occupational illnesses and injuries.

This is an optional form that can be used to notify your employer of your personal physician. You may choose to use another form, as long as you notify your employer, in writing, prior to being injured on the job and provide written verification that your personal physician meets the above requirements and agrees to be predesignated. Otherwise, you will be treated by one of your employers' designated workers' compensation medical providers.

EMPLOYEE NAME & ADDRESS:

I acknowledge receipt of this form and elect **not** to predesignate my personal physician at this time. I understand that I will receive medical treatment from my employers' medical provider. I understand that, at any time in the future, I can change my mind and provide written notification of my personal physician. I understand that the written notification must be on file prior to an industrial injury.

Employee Signature: _____ Date: _____

If I am injured on the job, **I wish** to be treated by my personal physician*:

Name of Physician or Medical Group _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

*This physician is my personal primary care physician who has previously directed my medical care and retains my medical history and records.

Name of Insurance Company, Plan, or Fund providing health coverage for nonoccupational injuries or illnesses: _____

Employee Signature: _____ Date: _____

A Personal Physician must be willing to be predesignated and treat you for a workers' compensation injury. The remainder of this form is to be completed by your physician and returned to your Employer.

PERSONAL PHYSICIAN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Per Labor Code 4600 to qualify you must meet the criteria outlined above. You are not required to sign this form, however, if you or your designated employee, does not sign, other documentation of the physicians' agreement to be predesignated will be required pursuant to Title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9780.1(a)(3).

PERSONAL PHYSICIAN OR MEDICAL GROUP NAME: _____

I agree to treat the above named employee in the event of an industrial accident or injury. I meet the criteria outlined above. I agree to adhere to the Administrative Director's Rules and Regulations, Section 9785, regarding the duties of the employee-designated physician.

(Physician or Designated Employee of the Physician or Medical Group)

Date

Please return completed form to:

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Notice of Personal Chiropractor or Personal Acupuncturist

If your employer **does not** participate in a Medical Provider Network (MPN) you may be able to change your treating physician to your personal chiropractor or acupuncturist. Generally your employer, or Keenan, has the right to select your treating physician within the first 30 days after your employer knows of your injury or illness. After your employer, or Keenan, initiates treatment you may, upon request, have your treatment transferred to your personal chiropractor or acupuncturist. To be eligible you must notify your employer **in writing prior to being injured**.

NOTE: If your date of injury is January 1, 2004 or later, a chiropractor cannot be your treating physician after you have received 24 chiropractic visits unless your employer has authorized additional visits in writing. The term "chiropractic visit" means any chiropractic office visit, regardless of whether the services performed involve chiropractic manipulation or are limited to evaluation and management. Once you have received 24 chiropractic visits, if you still require medical treatment, you will have to select a new physician who is not a chiropractor. This prohibition shall not apply to visits for postsurgical physical medicine visits prescribed by the surgeon, or physician designated by the surgeon, under the postsurgical component of the Division of Workers' Compensation's Medical Treatment Utilization Schedule.

Chiropractor or Acupuncturist Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Employee Name: _____

Employee Address: _____

Employee Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return completed form to:

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