Bariatric Pre-Surgical Psychological Evaluation

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Doctor / Other ____________________ has referred patient: ____________________ for an evaluation

On Appointment Date: ____________________ Time: _________

Please fill out the Bariatric Pre-Surgical Psychological Evaluation Form before the appointment and bring that form to the appointment, along with your glasses (if needed) for reading and a sweater because the building is likely to be cold.

Pre-surgical assessments are commonly requested for individuals who are about to undergo bariatric surgery. Your assessment will be conducted by Dr. Cheryl Millsaps or Dr. Richard L. Azrin, Licensed Psychologists and does not involve a medical check-up.

The evaluation usually lasts from 3 to 5 hours, depending on each patient. A good night’s sleep and breakfast are recommended. If you have difficulty reading or writing, please inform our office prior to the appointment so that accommodations may be made. Some psychological tests will usually be given before meeting with the doctor.

If you have any questions, please call (205) 329 7815

Directions:

From Downtown or Hwy 31 - Take Hwy 280 going South. - You will pass Whole Foods on your left. Be in the Right lane. - Take ramp to Cahaba Heights on the Right. - At the end of the ramp turn Left onto Pump House Road. - Pump House Road turns into Cahaba Heights Road. - You will pass Starbucks on your Left. - Turn Right onto Cahaba Heights Court (Slappey Communications).

From Hwy 459 or Hwy 280 - Turn onto Summit Blvd. - Pass the shopping areas on both sides. - Turn Left on Cahaba Heights Road; you will see two veterinarians at that intersection. - You will see Cahaba Cycles on your Left. - Turn Left on Cahaba Heights Court (Slappey Communications). (If you see Starbucks on your Right you have gone too far).

After you turn onto Cahaba Heights Court:
Go straight up the hill and look for the signs directing you to the North and South Parking Lots. Follow the signs to 1 of our 2 parking lots: NORTH or SOUTH. While our office is right in front of the South parking lot, you can park in either the North or the South parking lots.

The NORTH Parking Lot is straight ahead and right in front of the entrance to the Slappey building. If you park in the North Parking lot, walk around to the Right of Higher Ground Coffee to the back parking lot. We are the first door on the Left. The North lot is a little farther walk to our office than the South lot.

The SOUTH Parking Lot is around the back of the building. Follow the South Parking lot signs (follow the arrows on this map) going to the left and around to the back of the entire building. If you park in the South Parking lot, we are the last door at the farthest end of the building on the right. There is limited parking just a few steps from our office in the South Parking Lot, but that parking lot is closer to our front door.
Instructions: Please complete this form as accurately/completely as you can. A doctor will discuss your responses with you during your appointment.

Patient’s Name: Mr /Ms /Mrs ________________________________ Evaluation Date: ___/___/____

Your Home Address: ___________________________________________________________ Zip: ______

Home Phone: ________________ Work/Other Phone: ________________ Soc Sec Num: ____________

Date of Birth: _____/_____/_____ Age: _______ Race: ___________ Gender (circle): Male Female

Marital Status (circle) Single / Married / Divorced / Separated / Widow

Which surgeon (or doctor) referred you to this clinic?: Dr. ________________________________

Besides referral source, do any other doctors need a copy of your report? ____________________________

Which surgery are you interested in having? (circle) Gastric Bypass/ Lap band / gastric sleeve / other: ____________________________

Weight Loss History / Surgery Knowledge

What is your approximate current weight? ______ Height? _____ Your Goal Weight after surgery? _____

How long have you been considering surgery? ________________________________

When was your first appointment with the surgeon? ________________________________

What / who made you interested in the surgery? ________________________________

What are your reasons for wanting the surgery? ________________________________

Have you attended any Surgical Seminars? (circle) Yes No If Yes, # attended __________

Have you attended any Surgical Support Groups? (circle) Yes No If Yes, # attended __________

Do you feel you adequately understand the surgical procedure? (circle) Yes No If No, Questions: __________

Do you feel you adequately understand the lifestyle changes required after surgery? (circle) Yes No If No, Questions: __________

How do your family / friends feel about you having the surgery? ________________________________

Have you ever taken laxatives or vomited on purpose because you ate too much food? No Yes

How much and how often do you exercise? ________________________________

Exercise limitations (describe): ________________________________

Notes / Comments: ________________________________

______________________________
Medical History  (Please circle all that apply)

Joint Pain         Short of Breath        High Blood Pressure        High Cholesterol        Sleep Apnea        Arthritis
Diabetes          Heart Disease         Stroke         Cancer         Head Injury         Emphysema         COPD         Asthma
Incontinence       Thyroid disorder
Pain in: back      hips      knees      feet      other ________________  Swelling (where) __________

Past Surgeries: back      knee      gallbladder      hysterectomy      Other: ________________

Other medical illnesses: ________________

Significant Symptoms:
Please indicate whether you have experienced any of the symptoms below, when, and briefly describe:

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<th>Circle Yes or No</th>
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<td>Muscle Jerks or Twitches</td>
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**Please tell us about any Family History of Medical or Psychiatric Illness (circle all that apply):**

Diabetes  High Blood Pressure  Heart problem  Obesity  Stroke  Cancer  Alcoholism  Drug abuse  
Other (list)  
Family history of Psychiatric Illness (list)  

**Your Psychiatric/Psychological History**

Have you ever had any treatment for psychiatric/psychological difficulties (relationship counseling, psychological counseling, medicines for depression or anxiety, etc):  (circle) Yes  No  If yes, please describe below:

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Have you ever considered or attempted suicide?  No  Yes  (describe)  
Have you ever heard or seen things that others didn’t (hallucinations)?  No  Yes  (describe)  

**Substance Use**

Are you currently drinking?  No  Yes  Total number of years drinking on a fairly regular basis:  
Average amount you regularly drink (for example: 1 drink/week, 5 drinks/day, etc)  
What type of alcohol do you typically drink? (12 oz. can of beer, 6 oz cup of wine, shot of hard liquor)  
Have you ever been addicted to any drugs?  No  Yes  (describe)  
Have you ever failed at attempts to quit alcohol or drugs?  No  Yes  (describe)  
Have people ever said you should quit drinking or using drugs?  No  Yes  (describe)  
Have alcohol or drugs ever caused social or job problems?  No  Yes  (describe)  
Have you been involved in any treatment for drinking alcohol (including A.A.) or Using drugs?  No  Yes  

**Cigarette Smoking:**

Are you currently smoking?  No  Yes  If you smoked previously, when did you stop?  
Briefly describe attempts to quit smoking:  
Approximately how many years smoked in lifetime:  Average number of packs/day:  

**Educational/Occupational History:**

Education:  High school degree?  Yes  No  or  Years of college  
Occupation:  Currently working?  No  Yes,  Where?  

**Social History**

How many kids do you have?  
Spouse or Partner Living with you? (# years _____)  Children (# _____) and ages:  
Parents or others living with you:  
Relationship problems:  
Do you have someone who can take care of you after you are released from the hospital?  Yes  No  
Name:  Relation:  

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New Patient Information

Patient Name (Last)____________________________(First)____________________________(M.I.)______
Address_______________________________________City__________________State_______Zip________
Sex:  M   F Patient’s Employer
Birth Date __________________ Age________ Social Security Number _____________________________
Home Phone (____) ________________ Work (___) _______________________ Cell (___)
Marital Status: __________ Driver License #: __________
Email (Test results may be sent to this address): ________________________________________
Spouse/Partner Name __________________ Spouse Soc Sec #:________________________
Spouse place of Employment __________________________ Spouse Phone #: __________________
Other Emergency Contact _________________________ Relationship to Patient _______________________
Emergency Contact Phone (____) __________________

Insurance Information
1) Name of Primary Insurance:
   Contract #________________________ Group #_______________________Effective Date_____________
   Policy Holder’s Name: ___________________ DOB_________ Soc Sec Number ______________
   Relationship___________ Employer_______________ Phone #’s: _______________________________

2) Name of Secondary Insurance:
   Contract #________________________ Group #_______________________Effective Date_____________
   Policy Holder’s Name: ___________________ DOB_________ Soc Sec Number ______________
   Relationship___________ Employer_______________ Phone #’s: _______________________________

Request for Confidential Handling of Health Information
Complete only if you want communications regarding your health care information sent to an alternate address or telephone other than listed above. I request that my provider handle my confidential health information as described below. All reasonable requests to receive communication of your health information by alternative means and/or locations will be granted. Please describe the alternative means below (e.g. US mail, telephone call, etc.) by which you prefer to receive your health information.
Alternate Address______________________________________________ __________________________________
Alternate Telephone_______________________________ Alternate Telephone_______________________________

Agreement
If your insurance company OR health plan requires pre-approval OR referral for your visit, it is your responsibility to obtain this referral or YOU will be personally responsible for the bill. I, the undersigned (patient or legal guardian), authorize medical treatment to be rendered by the provider and assume financial responsibility. In the event the account is not paid in full within 90 days*, the undersigned agrees to pay all costs of collection including reasonable attorney fees, and hereby waives all rights of exemption under the constitution and laws of the State of Alabama. I also authorize the release of my medical records to my physicians and insurance carriers. If the provider has a contractual arrangement with your insurance carrier, the balance refers only to the amount that you are required to pay. I understand that all of the providers in the offices at 4260 Cahaba Heights Court, Suites 180-182, Vestavia, AL 35243 are independent practitioners (not partners) although they are sharing office and staff. Your signature below also indicates you have seen or received the Alabama Notice Form: Notice of Policies and Practices to Protect the Privacy of your Health Information and agree to its terms and serves as an acknowledgement that you have been shown or given a copy of the HIPAA Notice Form.

COMMUNICATION REGARDING MY ACCOUNTS: Until my accounts are finally settled, I give my direct consent to receive communications regarding my accounts from any services and any collectors of my accounts, through various means such as 1) any cell, landline, or text number that I provide, 2) any email address that I provide, 3) auto dialer systems, 4) Voicemail messages, and other forms of communication.

Informed Consent:
I agree to participate in evaluation/treatment, and the purpose has been explained to me and/or my guardian/representative.

Signature of Patient or Responsible Party: ______________________________Date_____________

If signed by a responsible party, describe that representative’s authority to act for the patient_____________________________
I hereby authorize the above providers to obtain and release the protected information specified below. Please list any restrictions on this release of information.

Name____________________________ Phone_________________ Fax_______________
Address___________________________________________________________________
City                     State                   Zip

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Records to be Obtained: Please send copies of all EEG, MRI, CT, History and Physical, and the doctor's last progress notes.

Release: This form when completed and signed by you authorizes me to release, as well as obtain, protected information from your clinical record to and from the person(s) you designate. I hereby authorize Dr. Richard Azrin, Dr. Cheryl Millsaps, Leslie Kahn, LCSW, Dr. Frank Brotherton, Dr. Kristi Yarbrough, Dr. Christopher Litton and/or his or her administrative and clinical staff to release any and all contents of my chart (including at least billing information, psychotherapy/progress notes, test results/data, reports, visit information, prescriptions, medical information, documents provided by patient, insurance/third party forms/reports, records received by others). This information should only be released to and/or obtained from the above individuals.

I am requesting my psychologist, psychiatrist, or social worker release this information to aid in treatment and/or assessment and/or provide information about me to others. This authorization shall remain in effect indefinitely. However, you have the right to revoke this authorization, in writing, at any time by sending such written notification to my office address. However, your revocation will not be effective to the extent that I have taken action in reliance on the authorization or if this authorization was obtained as a condition of obtaining insurance coverage and the insurer has a legal right to contest a claim.

I understand that my psychologist, psychiatrist, or social worker generally may not condition psychological services upon my signing an authorization unless the services are provided to me for the purpose of creating health information for a third party.

I understand that information used or disclosed pursuant to the authorization may be subject to re-disclosure by the recipient of your information and no longer protected by the HIPAA Privacy Rule.

I hereby release the above treatment/assessment providers and their respective medical staff and office from any and all liability and claims arising out of or relating to the disclosure and/or release of confidential and/or privileged information.

Informed Consent: I agree to participate in evaluation/treatment, and the purpose has been explained to me and/or my guardian/representative.

_________________________________ _____________________________ ____ _________________
Name of patient and/or responsible party Signature of patient or responsible party  Date

If signed by patient’s representative, a description of representative's authority to act for the patient is provided above.

*** Please fax records to Fax# (205) 329-7816 OR call Voice # (205) 329-7815