

Confidential Information

Name _____ Date _____
Date of Birth _____
Address _____ Phone: home _____
City/State _____ Zip Code _____ cell _____
Email _____ work _____
Emergency contact _____ Phone _____
How were you referred to Catherine Englehart, DC? _____

Informed Consent

What to expect: The treatment at our office will consist of manipulation of the joints and soft tissues, using the hands and/or a mechanical instrument. You may feel joint movement and you may hear joint clicks or other noises. Physical therapy methods, along with therapeutic exercise may also accompany treatment.

Chiropractic Risks: Chiropractic examination and therapy (adjustments, heat, electrotherapy, etc) are considered very safe and effective methods of care. Occasionally complications can arise. Minor temporary problems, such as soreness and stiffness can occur, especially in the beginning of a treatment plan. Significant problems, such as fracture of weakened bone or sprain/strain injuries are rare. A stroke following neck manipulation is an extremely rare complication, occurring less than 1 per million treatments. Stroke is a result of a problem with blood flow to the brain, and can be triggered more easily in patients with circulatory or other health conditions. Please report any concerns regarding heart and brain health in the history form.

Other Treatment and Risks:

Medications such as NSAIDs (Advil, Aleve or Tylenol) carry risks of tissue damage, including ulcers or kidney damage. They can occur quickly and be irreversible. There is higher risk of developing a serious complication with NSAIDs as opposed to chiropractic treatment. Other medications may be habit forming and may mask pain, putting one at risk of further tissue damage.

Surgery is the treatment of choice for less than 1% of back pain patients. Your doctor will screen for surgical indicators and will refer you for a surgical opinion if indicated. Clinical results of surgery for mechanical back pain have been disappointing and may expose you to unnecessary hospital and medication risks.

Non-treatment: The potential risks of refusing or neglecting care may include: increased pain, scar/adhesion formation, restricted motion, possible nerve damage, increased inflammation and worsening pathology. The aforementioned may complicate treatment making future recovery and rehabilitation more difficult and lengthy.

Payment Information

We require payment at time of visit. We do not bill personal insurance but will provide you with a coded receipt if you wish to submit a claim to your insurance company. Catherine Englehart, DC is not a participating provider under any insurance plan.

() I agree to keep my account current by paying at the time services are rendered. I understand I am financially responsible for all charges and agree to pay for these services.

I have read the above and give my consent to begin treatment. j

Patient/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____
Printed Name _____

