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**You have an appointment with _____ on _____ at
_____ AM/PM at our Vickery Road Office.**

Thank you for choosing Regenerative Spine & Musculoskeletal Medicine, to assist with your healthcare concerns. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to our practice. We specialize in all aspects of musculoskeletal care, including the diagnosis and treatment of spine, shoulder, elbow, hip, knee, arthritis, muscle, and no-fault or work related injuries. Our office offers an on-site procedure suite, platelet rich plasma (PRP) injections, prolotherapy, acupuncture, nutritional guidance and supplements. Enclosed you will find paperwork that **MUST** be filled out before you arrive for your appointment, along with some of our practice policies.

Our goal is to provide excellent personalized care to help our patients achieve a satisfying quality of life by reducing pain and optimizing function. Dr. Renée S. Melfi has been providing comprehensive treatment of spine and musculoskeletal conditions for over 15 years in Central New York. Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PM&R) physicians, or physiatrists, are nerve, muscle, bone, and brain experts who treat injury or illness non-surgically to decrease pain and restore function. The physiatric approach to patient care looks at the whole person and not just one symptom or condition. The subspecialty of interventional physiatry uses image-guided needle placement for the delivery of medication in order to diagnose or treat a number of conditions affecting the spine or other areas of the musculoskeletal system.

As interventional physiatrists, the prescription of opioid pain medications is not a focus of this practice. Those seeking solely the continuance of an opioid pain medication previously written by a different provider may wish to seek care in a different practice. If we agree to become involved in the prescription of any opioid medications, please anticipate in advance that the goal will be weaning of the medication to episodic, acute use, if any at all.

At Regenerative Spine & Musculoskeletal Medicine, we pride ourselves on personalized care in a timely fashion. We will do our best to attempt to stay on time, although sometimes medical emergencies occur that interrupt the schedule. You can help us to stay on time by arriving on time for your appointments. Please arrive 30 minutes early for your appointment if you have not completed your paperwork. If paperwork is completed, please arrive 15 minutes early for your appointment. If you check in 10 minutes after your appointment time, we will have no option but to cancel and reschedule your appointment. If you are unable to keep your appointment, 24 hours notice is required.

Our staff is available to speak with you Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 7:30 am to 4:00 pm, Tuesdays 7:30 am to 3:00 pm and Friday 7:30 am to 2:30 pm to answer your questions. Our secretaries will triage your message to the nursing staff and your call will be returned as it was received, or depending

on medical importance. While clinic is not interrupted for phone calls, we will make every attempt to return your call in a timely manner. We can best answer your questions and attend to your medical needs while the office is open and we have access to your chart.

Care that must be rendered by telephone and outside of a certain time frame after your appointment will be billed to your insurance company and you may be required to pay a co-pay. Prescription refills, or requests for completion of disability paperwork will be completed **within seven days**. In some instances you may need to schedule a follow-up appointment to review your medical status.

In order to not distract attention from your medical needs, we advise arranging for childcare at the time of your appointment. Because this is an office in which sensitive medical procedures are performed, **no person(s) under the age of 14 years will be allowed** in the examination rooms or procedure suite.

Also, please visit our website at www.rsmmd.com If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact our office during normal business hours at 315-701-4000.

CHECKLIST OF ITEMS TO BRING FOR YOUR APPOINTMENT

- Completed patient registration form (enclosed)
- Completed medical history form (enclosed), a list of current medications AND related medical records.
- Signed Financial Agreement form (enclosed)
- Insurance Identification cards
- Any X-Rays, CT Scans, MRI studies on CD, with reports.
- Patient referral from your primary care physician if required by your insurance company.
- Workers Compensation: You **must** have your date of injury, name of the insurance carrier with their address and telephone number. **IF YOU DO NOT PRESENT THIS INFORMATION AT THE TIME OF YOUR APPOINTMENT, YOUR APPOINTMENT WILL BE CANCELLED.**
- No Fault: Date of accident, policy number, name, address and telephone number of the insurance carrier. **IF YOU DO NOT PRESENT THIS INFORMATION AT THE TIME OF YOUR APPOINTMENT, YOUR APPOINTMENT WILL BE CANCELLED.**
- Please bring shorts and a t-shirt if you wish to avoid changing into a gown.
- If the patient is under 18 years old, he/she must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Please **refrain from wearing perfumes, colognes, scented lotions** to your appointments.

Room: _____

Time: _____

Provider: _____

Date: _____



New Patient History

Name: _____ Age: _____ Right-handed Left-handed

DOB: _____ E-Mail: _____

Primary Care Physician: _____

What main problem brings you here today? _____

This pain is related to: work auto accident sports other

If work related, have you had any previous work related injuries? Yes No

If motor vehicle related, have you had any previous motor vehicle related injuries? Yes No

Date when your symptoms started: _____

Describe HOW your pain started: _____

Did you go to the emergency room or urgent care? Yes No

PRIMARY SITE OF PAIN (NAME ONE REGION): _____

Describe your PRIMARY PAIN (check all that apply): achy burning deep dull electrical
 numb sharp shooting stabbing tingling

Your PRIMARY PAIN is... Constant Comes and Goes

OTHER SITES OF PAIN: _____

Your pain is:

- Worse No Change when coughing
- Worse No Change when lying down
- Worse No Change when sitting
- Worse No Change when sneezing
- Worse No Change when standing
- Worse No Change when rising up from a chair

Your pain is BETTER with:

- Position change
- Rest
- Standing
- Sitting

Are you CURRENTLY enrolled in:

- Physical Therapy Better Same Worse
- Chiropractic Better Same Worse

Do you need help with any of these activities? (check all that apply): bathing dressing driving
 housework (mobility) walking climbing stairs toileting

PREVIOUS Treatments:

- Physical Therapy Better Same Worse
- Chiropractic Care Better Same Worse
- Massage Therapy Better Same Worse
- Acupuncture Better Same Worse

Spine Injections When _____ Where performed? _____

Trigger Point Injections When _____ Where performed? _____

List other physicians you have seen for this problem:

What medicines have you tried: _____

If injured in a car accident, you were the... driver passenger

rear-end collision broad sided

side swiped

Wearing seatbelt? Yes No

Air bag deployed? Yes No

Lost consciousness? Yes No

Name: _____ Date: _____

Allergies to medications: _____

Are you allergic to: Iodine? Yes No
 Seafood? Yes No
 Dye/Contrast? Yes No
 Latex? Yes No
 Novocain? Yes No

List ALL Medical Illnesses/Diseases: _____

Are you on a blood thinner? No Yes, which one? _____

List Past Surgeries and dates: _____

Do you have an implantable device? No Yes _____

Current Medications and dosage: _____

Illnesses that run in your family: _____

Social History:

Alcohol: Drinks per week _____ Never Quit History of Abuse
Tobacco: Never Quit Yes, _____ pack/day for _____ years
Illicit Drug Use: Never Quit History of Abuse If use, what substance? _____
Marital Status: Single Married Divorced Separated Widowed Other
#Children _____ **Are you pregnant?** Yes No **Trying to conceive?** Yes No
Currently working? Yes No Retired

Lately, have you experienced (in the last month)...

Const: poor appetite fatigue fever weight gain weight loss
Eyes: vision changes
ENMT: hearing changes nose bleeds gums bleeding sore throat
CVS: chest pain murmurs palpitations swollen feet
Resp: cough shortness of breath wheeze
GI: abdominal pain bowel incontinence constipation diarrhea heartburn vomiting
GU: frequency of urination incontinence of urine kidney stones sexual difficulties
Musc: muscle cramps gait disturbance joint pain muscle pain joint swelling
Skin: dry skin rashes excessive sweating hair changes nail changes
CNS: dizziness fainting headaches memory loss paralysis tremor weakness
PSY: anxiety difficulty concentrating depression insomnia
Endo: cold intolerance heat intolerance excessive thirst
Heme: bruising swollen glands



Patient Registration Form

Please Print

Date _____

Name: _____ Sex F M SS# _____
 Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____
 Mailing Address (if different than above) _____
 Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Age _____ DOB _____
 Marital Status: Single _____ Married _____ Divorced/Separated _____ Widow/Widower _____
 Patients Employer _____ Occupation _____
 Employers Address _____ Work Phone _____
 Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____
 Spouse/Significant Others Name _____ Mother's Maiden Name _____
 Spouse/Significant Others DOB: _____ SS# _____
 Spouse's/Significant Others Employer _____ Occupation _____
 Employers Address _____ Work Phone _____
 Pharmacy Name & Address _____ Pharmacy Phone # _____
 Language Preference _____ Race _____ Email _____
 Ethnicity Non-Hispanic/Spanish Origin _____ Spanish/Hispanic Origin _____ Patient Declined/Unknown _____

INSURANCE INFORMATION

Primary Insurance Company: _____ Subscriber Name: _____
 ID#: _____ SS#: _____ DOB: _____
 Secondary Insurance Company: _____ Subscriber Name: _____
 ID#: _____

HIPAA DOCUMENTATION

(Please answer all questions below and then sign and date)

1. I acknowledge that I have been given the opportunity to read and/or receive a copy of Family Care Medical Group's Privacy Notice. YES NO

2. Leave appointment message on:	YES	NO
Home Phone (Including autocal)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile Phone (Including autocal)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile Text (Including autocal)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Work Phone?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
With another person? List name(s) below	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Send via Mail?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Send via Email?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Leave Medical information on:	YES	NO
Home Phone (Including autocal)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile Phone (Including autocal)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile Text (Including autocal)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Work Phone?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
With another person? List name(s) below	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Send via Mail?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Send via Email?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Person(s) authorized to discuss the above information & relationship

 Signature _____ Date _____

*** I consent to have the Practice use and disclose my protected health information for payment, treatment and health care operations purposes, and for such other purposes that are permitted under HIPAA or other federal or state law without my written authorization.

Signature _____ Date _____

*** I authorize the payment of medical benefits to above stated physician or supplier for services rendered.

Signature _____ Date _____



OFFICE POLICIES AND FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

BILLING POLICY - Our office is a proud member of Family Care Medical Group. Our practice participates with many insurance carriers. You are responsible for providing sufficient billing information and determining whether our services are covered by your insurance contract. If we are participating providers with your insurance company, we will bill your insurance directly. In the event your insurance determines a service to be "not covered," you will be responsible for the payment in full. If we do not participate with your insurance, you are responsible for payment in full at the time of service.

CO-PAYMENTS/CO-INSURANCE/DEDUCTIBLES - Your insurance carrier mandates that we collect the amount of the deductible, co-insurance, or co-payment specified in your contract. **Payment is expected at the time of check-in for your appointment.** We reserve the right to reschedule your appointment if you are unprepared to pay.

PAYMENTS - We accept payment in the form of cash, checks, money order or Visa/MasterCard/Discover. A \$25 fee will be assessed for a check returned by your bank. Payments are due at the time services are provided or upon receipt of a statement from our billing office. If after 60 days a payment has not been made the account may be referred to a collection agency. If you have an unpaid balance, we will be unable to make another appointment until this balance is addressed. If you make no attempt to satisfy any outstanding balances, the practice reserves the right to discharge the patient from the practice.

MEDICATION REFILLS: Requests for medication refills can take up to **seven days** to be completed.

RECORDING DEVICES – The use of recording devices, both visual and audio is **PROHIBITED** in this office and treatment rooms at all times.

NO-SHOW POLICY/SAME-DAY CANCELLATION - Delivering quality patient care is the primary focus of this practice. Each time a patient misses an appointment without providing proper notice, another patient is prevented from receiving care. We reserve the right to charge for these occurrences. Due to high patient demand and limited availability of appointments this office's no show/late cancel fee is **\$50.00 for office visits; \$150.00 for injection procedures.** Insurance will NOT cover charges for no-show fees. You are personally responsible for payment, which must be made prior to your next visit. You must give **24 hour advance notice to cancel/reschedule appointments.** If there are two late cancellations/no shows we reserve the right to discharge you from this practice for non-compliance.

LATE SHOW POLICY - Our providers know your time is important and we hope you understand the value of our time. We want to be able to provide every patient with all the attention they require. Therefore, if you are **10 minutes** or more late for your appointment, it may be necessary to reschedule for a later time or day. It is at the discretion of the provider to see the patient or to ask the patient to reschedule. If it is determined that the provider will see the patient, the patient arriving late may have to wait until an appropriate opening is available.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS - If Workers' Compensation or No Fault is your primary insurance, you are responsible for providing us with accurate information regarding the date of the injury, WCB and Carrier Case numbers, and the insurance company's name and address. If your case is denied, all outstanding balances and future services will be your responsibility unless you have private insurance. In order for our office to bill your private health insurance, all information must be provided at your initial visit to insure timely filing of your claim.

EMERGENCY ON-CALL PROVIDER POLICY - An afterhours on-call provider is available for **emergencies only for questions related to recent injection procedures.** Please do NOT call the on-call emergency phone number for questions related to refills, medications, scheduling, or authorization questions. Calls to the on-call emergency phone number for such non-emergency issues will NOT be returned, and you should call the office the next day during office hours. Failure to follow this policy may result in discharge from this practice.

FORM COMPLETION - There is an administrative fee of \$25.00 per form, and fees must be paid in full prior to completion. These fees are not covered by insurance. The form fee does not apply to forms received on letterhead from the Workers' Compensation carrier, No-Fault carrier, or Employers regarding your Workers' Compensation Claim, **except all FMLA forms incur a charge of \$25 regardless of requestor.** All forms require **7 business days** to process.

RECORDS REQUEST - There is an administrative fee of \$0.75 per page for medical records requests. This fee is not covered by insurance, and must be paid prior to completion. All requests for medical records are required to be in writing.

By signing below, I certify that I have read, understand and agree to all above stated terms.

Patient/Guardian Signature

Today's Date



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**DIRECTIONS TO:
3400 VICKERY ROAD**

FROM THE NORTH:

81 South to exit 26-27 for US-11 Mattydale/Syracuse Airport. Use middle lane to continue toward US-11 S/Brewerton Road. Keep right to continue on Exit 26, follow signs for US 11 S/Mattydale and merge onto US-11 S/Brewerton Rd. Merge onto US-11S/Brewerton Rd. Turn left toward US-11 N. Use left lane to turn left onto US-11N. Turn left onto Bailey Rd and then left onto 48/Buckley Rd. Turn left onto Vickery Rd.

FROM THE SOUTH:

81 North to exit 25 for 7th North Street. Turn right onto 7th N. Street then turn right onto 48/Buckley Road. Turn right onto Vickery Road.

FROM THE EAST:

If on Thruway take exit 36 to merge on 81 south. Take exit 25 for 7th North Street. Turn right onto 7th North Street then turn right at the 2nd cross street onto 48/Buckley Rd. Turn right onto Vickery Rd.

FROM THE WEST:

From the Thruway, take exit 37 for Electronics Parkway. Turn right onto Electronics Pkwy then right onto Hopkins Road. Turn right onto 48/Buckley Rd then left onto Vickery Rd.

-NOTE- The building has a sign out front "**3400 Vickery Center, Syracuse Surgery Center**", located directly across from Pirro Brothers Funeral Home.