



Orthopedics ~ Surgical Center ~ Physical Therapy ~ MRI Services

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PATIENT INFORMATION

Appointments ~

To schedule a visit, call our office at 229-435-1458 or 1-800-543-6185 between 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday. You may also reach us by fax at (229) 435-7073. If you call us after hours, our phone allows you to leave a message or direct you to an answering service. If there is an emergency, the service will contact the on-call physician and relay the message to him. If the situation is critical, go immediately to the emergency center at your local hospital.

To make your visit as successful as possible, we ask that you bring the following information to your appointment:

- New patient forms (for first time patients)
- X-ray films and reports
- MRI films and reports
- Any pertinent test results
- List of current medication(s) including prescription and over the counter types
- Physician referral forms, name and address from your primary care provider (if applicable)
- Insurance card(s) or any letters of authorization for your visit (i.e., BC/BS, CIGNA, Phoebe)
- Medicare , Medicaid, Wellcare, Peach State, or other insurance card
- Picture identification card (i.e., driver's license, etc.)

Insurance, Billing, Payment, and Fees ~

Premier Orthopedics is contracted with many insurance carriers. We are happy to bill your insurance carrier as a courtesy. We require a copy of your insurance card and a picture identification prior to services being rendered. If services are denied by your carrier or if you are ineligible to receive benefits, you are financially responsible for all charges incurred. If you are not able to provide proof of insurance coverage, you will be considered uninsured and you will be responsible for full payment at time of service.

Health care plans vary significantly by carrier, by employer, and/or contract. We cannot know the benefits and exclusions of each patient's health plan. It is your responsibility to know and understand your insurance coverage and benefits and how they will apply to your treatment by the doctor.

Please be prepared to pay for all patient due amount at the time of the service. This includes:

- Co-payments (We will not bill for Co-Pays)
- Co-insurance
- Deductibles
- Outstanding Balances

For your convenience, we accept cash, checks, debit cards, Visa, MasterCard, Discovery, American Express, and Care Credit. If payment is not made at the time of service, there will be a \$15.00 fee added to your account to cover our costs associated with processing patient statements.

Returned Checks: There will be a \$30.00 service charge on returned checks.

Insurance: We may accept assignments of insurance benefits upon your first visit; however, we do require your portion of the bill to be paid at the time of service. Because the bill is your responsibility, should your insurance company not pay – you will receive a bill for the remaining balance. We will do everything reasonably required to facilitate the filing of your insurance claim. This necessitates you providing us with your insurance information, along with all other relevant documents (i.e. accident report, claim number, policy number, letter from automobile insurance stating medical payment benefits are available or exhausted).

PPO Plans: (with which we are contracted): We have agreed to take a discount from your insurance carrier. Your co-insurance or deductible is your responsibility and is due at the time of service. In the event your insurance carrier coverage changes to a plan where we are not a participating provider, you will be responsible for any out of network deductible or co-insurance amounts.

Medicare: We accept assignment with Medicare. Medicare pays their allowed amount after satisfaction of the annual deductible. We will bill your supplemental insurance as a courtesy; however, you are responsible regardless of payment for the remaining amount that Medicare does not pay.

Self-Pay Patients: There is a minimum deposit of \$350.00 (cash, check, or credit card) due upon sign-in for all private pay patients on the initial visit. Should your charges exceed more than your deposit, you will be billed the remaining balance.

Referrals and Authorizations: If your insurance company requires a referral from your primary care physician (PCP) for an orthopedic consultation, please make sure you obtain the authorization number before calling for an appointment. Our office must be in receipt of the referral from the PCP before booking your appointment. If our office has not yet received your referral, you will be asked to contact your PCP's office to have them fax the referral to us.

Referrals for additional orthopedic services that your orthopedic physician may require (i.e. MRI, Physical Therapy, CT Scans, etc.) will be ordered by our office. Please allow 5 to 7 working days to process your referral in most cases.

Worker's Compensation/Industrial Injuries: Premier Orthopedics works with many industrial medicine entities, including Worker's Compensation and the Department of Labor. If you are injured on the job or feel that your problem may be work-related, please make sure you have informed your employer. Our Worker's Compensation coordinator will need to obtain authorization from your employer's Worker's Compensation carrier prior to your visit. If your employer is self-insured, we will need an authorization from them that your injury will be covered. If your treatment is denied as being non work-related, you are financially responsible for all incurred charges.

Disability Forms: All forms that need to be completed by our medical staff should be given to the receptionist or check-out staff. Due to the complexity of some of these forms, please allow 10 – 14 days for completion. Our office does charge for this service and any fee must be paid prior to the release of the completed form.

Supplies: Some insurers do not pay for supplies such as braces, crutches, etc., that are provided by our office. If we inform you that a supply prescribed by your physician will not be covered, we expect payment when you receive the supply. In the event that your insurance company is billed and does not remit payment, you will be billed for the supplies that are unpaid by the carrier.

General Policies ~

Minor Patients: A minor patient must have a parent or guardian present with the patient in order to be seen by the physician. The parent / adult guardian accompanying the minor will be responsible for full payment as outlined in other listed financial policies.

Medications: As of January 2, 2010, there will be no refills called in after business hours. We ask that you make your doctor aware of any refills needed at the time of your appointment. If refills are needed in between appointments, please call your pharmacy and ask them to fax us a refill request. It may take up to 48 hours from the time of your request.

Cell Phones: Please understand that your time with our provider is an extremely important time for you and the provider. Please turn **OFF** your cell phone while in the clinical area and exam room.

Past Due Balances: If your account becomes 90 days delinquent, it is our policy to make a good faith effort to work with patients to find a mutually acceptable arrangement. However, we do utilize the services of a collection bureau to assist with outstanding, unresolved balances older than 90 days.

We appreciate you reviewing our Patient Policies and we request that you please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. It is our pleasure to serve you for all your orthopedic needs.

PREMIER ORTHOPEDICS, PC

Doctor / Provider Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

How did you hear about our office? TV Newspaper Dr. Referral Friend / Family Internet/Website Yellow Pages Other

Primary Care Physician: _____ PCP City & State: _____ PCP Phone Number: _____

Referral Source: _____ Premier Patient ID # (office use only): _____

Date symptoms/injury first appeared: ____ / ____ / ____ Is this an auto accident claim? Yes No Is this a work-related injury? Yes NoIs the visit due to an injury? Yes No If Yes, how did the injury occur? _____**PATIENT INFORMATION**

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Age: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Full Name: _____ Preferred: _____
Last First Middle

Physical Street Address: _____ City, State: _____ Zip: _____

Mailing Address (if different than physical): _____ City, State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Employer: _____ Occupation: _____ May we contact you at work? Yes No

Patient's Spouse Name: _____ Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

Gender: Male Female Marital status: Single Married Divorced Widowed Number of children: _____Race: Caucasian Black / African American Hispanic Asian American Indian Indian Native American Alaska NativeEthnicity: Non-Hispanic Hispanic Other _____ Language: English Spanish Other _____Please indicate where you may be reached during business hours: Home Work Cell PhoneMay we contact you at home? Yes NoMay we contact you at your place of business? Yes No

If calling your home, leave a message with:

 Yes No Voicemail / Answering Machine Yes No Mobile / Cell Phone Yes No Family Member / Friend

If so, who? _____

If calling your home, leave a message with:

 Yes No Voicemail / Answering Machine Yes No Mobile / Cell Phone Yes No Family Member / Friend

If so, who? _____

May we contact you via email? Yes No If yes, please list the preferred email address: _____**RESPONSIBLE PARTY**Person responsible for billing: Self Spouse Parent Employer Other _____ Relationship to patient: _____

Insured Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Street Address: _____ City, State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Ext: _____

Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

Street Address: _____ City, State: _____ Zip: _____

PRIMARY INSURANCE COVERAGE

Insured Policyholder's Name (if other than patient): _____ Address: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
Employer Name: _____ Occupation: _____ Social Security Number: _____
Insured Group Number: _____ Policy Number: _____

SECONDARY INSURANCE COVERAGE

Insured Policyholder's Name (if other than patient): _____ Address: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
Employer Name: _____ Occupation: _____ Social Security Number: _____
Insured Group Number: _____ Policy Number: _____

MEDICARE & MEDICAID COVERAGE

Medicare Part A #: _____ Effective Date: _____
Medicare Part B #: _____ Effective Date: _____
Medicaid Number: _____ Issuing State: Georgia Other: _____

INDUSTRIAL INJURY (WORKERS COMP)

Date of Injury: _____ Date Injury Report Filed: _____
Employer at the Time of Accident: _____ Employer Phone: _____
Employer Mailing Address: _____ City, State: _____ Zip: _____
Injury Authorized to Treat: _____ Contact Person: _____

AUTO ACCIDENT / THIRD PARTY

Date of Accident: _____ Name of Representing Attorney: _____
Policy Holder's Name: _____ Relationship to Patient: _____
Insurance Company responsible for Medical Bills: _____
Insurer Mailing Address: _____ City, State: _____ Zip: _____
Insurance Claim Number: _____ Agent/Adjuster Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

AUTHORIZATION & ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS

I hereby authorize Premier Orthopedics, PC to release information concerning my illness and treatments to insurance companies, attorneys, other physicians, and/or other specific interested parties. I hereby assign to the physicians all payments for medical services to my dependents or myself. I understand that I am responsible for any balance not paid by my insurance or third party. I understand that a copy of this authorization shall and may be treated as an original. Patient does hereby consent to the rendering of medical care and treatment, which may include diagnostic testing procedures and such treatment and care as considered necessary or appropriate by the rendering physician.

Signature of Patient: _____ Date: _____
Signature of Parent / Guardian: _____ Date: _____

PREMIER ORTHOPEDICS, PC

Name: _____ Today's Date: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____
 Referral Source: _____ Primary Care Physician: _____
 Reason for today's visit: _____
 Is the visit due to an injury? Yes _____ No _____ How did the injury occur? (please be detailed) _____

Workers Compensation claim? Yes _____ No _____ Motor vehicle accident? Yes _____ No _____

~ ALLERGIES ~

List all allergies (or provide a list): _____

~ CURRENT MEDICATIONS ~

List all current medications with medication name, dosage, and condition (or provide a list):

Please list the name of your primary pharmacy where you purchase MOST of your medications even if you use multiple pharmacies:

Name (i.e. CVS, Walgreens): _____ Street Address: _____ City, State: _____

Do you give Premier Orthopedics permission to access your current electronic medication history to verify drug names and dosages? Yes No

~ PAST MEDICAL HISTORY ~

Vaccinations: Have you ever had the Pneumonia vaccination? Yes No Have you had the Flu shot this flu season? Yes No

Have you or a family member ever had any of the following:

	<u>Patient</u>		<u>Family Member</u>			<u>Patient</u>		<u>Family Member</u>	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Frequent Kidney Infections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thyroid Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kidney stones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
High Blood Pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kidney Failure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blackouts / Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Frequent Heartburn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dizzy Spells / Vertigo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stomach Ulcer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chest Pains	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gall bladder disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Irregular heart rate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pancreatitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heart attack	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ulcerative Colitis / Crohn's Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heart Failure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diverticulitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heart murmur	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Liver Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heart surgery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hepatitis A, B, or C	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stroke / CVA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gout	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
TIA's (transient ischemic attacks)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lupus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blockage of blood vessels: neck	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rheumatoid arthritis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blockage of blood vessels: legs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Osteoarthritis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asthma / Emphysema	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Psoriasis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sleep Apnea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fractures / Dislocations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	HIV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Are you Pregnant?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

~ PAST SURGICAL HISTORY ~

List ALL previous surgeries: _____

List any other medical history you think is important and we should know: _____

Patient Name: _____
(Please Print)

DOB: ____/____/____

DRUG NAME	MILLIGRAMS PRESCRIBED	DISPENSED (Ex: 1-3x's daily)

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PATIENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

Effective January 1, 2007

As Required by the Privacy Standards of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

I have received or had the opportunity to read a copy of the **Notice of Privacy Practices** of Premier Orthopedics, P.C. on the date indicated below.

I understand that if any changes are made to this Notice of Privacy Practices, a revised copy of the Notice will be posted in the offices of Premier Orthopedics, P.C.

I also understand that if I wish to receive additional copies of this Notice of Privacy Practices in the future or if I have any questions with regard to this Notice of Privacy Practices, I may contact:

HIPAA Compliance Officer, 2405 Osler Court, Albany, Georgia 31707 (229) 435-1458

 Printed Name of Patient

 Date

 Signature of Patient or Patient's Representative

 Printed Name of Patient or Patient's Representative

 Relationship to patient

Please list all persons that we may discuss your Private Healthcare Information (PHI) with including friends and family. This information may include, but is not limited to the following: Appointment information, billing or insurance issues, lab results, treatment plan or medications prescribed, etc...

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

THIS SPACE TO BE USED BY PRACTICE ONLY.

Date acknowledgement denied by patient: _____

Reason denied by patient: _____

Name of person reviewing denial: _____

Signature of Premier Representative: _____

Date: _____