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Patient Information and Consent Form

Risk of Coronavirus (COVID-19) Transmission at McTimoney Chiropractic Clinic

This Form is in addition to consent form for chiropractic examination and treatment

The Government published a Statutory Instrument on 26th March 2020, *no. 350 'The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020'* confirming that it is lawful for a chiropractic practice to remain open. It further defines those people who are recognised as vulnerable for the purposes of document.

The McTimoney Chiropractic Clinic has conducted a thorough risk assessment to ensure adequate levels of safety at this clinic are implemented and maintained. We are following the most up-to-date Government and Public Health England guidance and put in place stringent patient triage, hygiene, sanitation and infection control protocols to protect our patients and staff/ team members (delete as necessary). Despite these precautions, there is a risk of transmission of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and it is important that you understand the risk. We have provided the information below to help you decide if you wish to continue with your care at The McTimoney Chiropractic Clinic and remind you that you are under no obligation to do so.

Precautions that The McTimoney Chiropractic Clinic has in place:

- All patients contacting us for an appointment are triaged by your chiropractor over the telephone to establish whether symptoms are present, if they are self-isolating, if anyone in their household has symptoms or is self-isolating, or they have been in contact with anyone with COVID-19 symptoms.
- We enforce a strict policy that anyone with any COVID-19 symptoms must stay away from the clinic.
- A second triage is conducted at the Clinic, including a temperature check.
- A strict cleaning, sanitation and infection control protocol is adhered to – Please ask if you would like to see this document.

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- All team members at McTimoney Chiropractic Clinic adhere to the social distancing guidance issued by the Government apart from when treating when social distancing can't be maintained.
- Only one patient per time will attend the clinic and the space will be managed by your chiropractor.
- Chiropractors will be wearing Personal Protective Equipment for your protection.

The McTimoney Chiropractic Clinic is committed to ensuring that every measure is in place to minimise the risk of exposure to COVID-19, we cannot guarantee there is no risk to you as a result of attending the clinic.

People can catch COVID-19 from others who have the virus. The disease can spread from person to person through small droplets from the nose or mouth which are spread when a person with COVID-19 coughs or exhales. These droplets land on objects and surfaces around the person. Other people then catch COVID-19 by touching these objects or surfaces, then touching their eyes, nose or mouth. People can also catch COVID-19 if they breathe in droplets from a person with COVID-19 who coughs out or exhales droplets.

The risk of catching COVID-19 from someone with no symptoms at all is very low. However, many people with COVID-19 experience only mild symptoms. This is particularly true at the early stages of the disease. It is therefore possible to catch COVID-19 from someone who has, for example, just a mild cough and does not feel ill. (World Health Organisation)

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Eligibility for Care

In addition to those with COVID-19 symptoms, self-isolating, living with someone with symptoms/ self-isolating, or have been in contact with anyone with or suspected to have COVID-19, we are currently not accepting patients from the “high risk” (clinically extremely vulnerable) groups defined below:

- Have had an organ transplant
- Are having chemotherapy or antibody treatment for cancer, including immunotherapy
- Are having an intense course of radiotherapy (radical radiotherapy) for lung cancer
- Are having targeted cancer treatments that can affect the immune system (such as protein kinase inhibitors or PARP inhibitors)
- Have blood or bone marrow cancer (such as leukaemia, lymphoma or myeloma)
- Have had a bone marrow or stem cell transplant in the past 6 months or are still taking immunosuppressant medicine
- Have been told by a doctor they have a severe lung condition (such as cystic fibrosis, severe asthma or severe COPD)
- Have a condition that means they have a very high risk of getting infections (such as SCID or sickle cell)
- Are taking medicine that makes them much more likely to get infections (such as high doses of steroids or immunosuppressant medicine)
- Have a serious heart condition and are pregnant

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Consent to receive care at the McTimoney Chiropractic Clinic

- I have answered all questions (triage) relating to my potential exposure to Coronavirus (COVID-19) truthfully.
- I understand that there is a potential risk of transmission of Coronavirus (COVID-19) as a result of attending the clinic and/or receiving treatment.
- I have had the opportunity to ask all the questions I wish to, and all my questions have been answered to my satisfaction.
- I have read, agreed to and understood the statements above relating to Coronavirus (COVID-19) risk and consent to receive care at [Clinic Name].
- I understand and agree that I will need to give separate consent regarding my chiropractic care.

Patients Name: _____

Patients Signature: _____

Date: _____