

**Attending Physician's Statement**

TO ALLOW US TO MAKE AN ASSESSMENT OF YOUR PATIENT'S CLAIM IT IS **IMPERATIVE** THAT YOU ANSWER **ALL** OF THE QUESTIONS IN **FULL**

- INSTRUCTIONS**
1. Please **PRINT**.
  2. Part 1 to be completed by patient.
  3. Part 2 to be completed by physician.
  4. **Any charge for completion of this form is the patient's responsibility.**

Claims Administrator: **The Canada Life Assurance Company (Canada Life)/Morneau Shepell**

PLAN NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 1: Patient Authorization**

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (day, month, year) \_\_\_\_\_

Address (number, street, city, province, postal code) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone no. (including area code) \_\_\_\_\_

( ) - \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize my healthcare or rehabilitation provider to disclose my personal information, including my medical and health information and including consultation reports, to Canada Life/ Morneau Shepell for the purpose of investigating and assessing my claim(s), administering coverage(s) that I may have with Canada Life/ Morneau Shepell and administering the group benefits plan. Medical and health information excludes genetic test results.

I acknowledge that the personal information is needed by Canada Life/ Morneau Shepell for the purposes stated above. I acknowledge that my consent enables Canada Life/ Morneau Shepell to process my claim(s) and refusing to consent may result in delay or denial of my claim(s).

This consent may be revoked by me at any time by sending a written instruction.

I confirm that a photocopy or electronic copy of this authorization shall be as valid as the original.

Plan Member/Employee Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Consent (dd/mm/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 2: Attending Physician's Statement**

**1 DIAGNOSIS OF PRESENT CONDITION (Please provide copies of all relevant clinical notes and consultation reports.)**

Primary \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary \_\_\_\_\_

Date symptoms first appeared (day, month, year) \_\_\_\_\_

Date patient ceased to work because of incapacity (day, month, year) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of first visit for treatment or consultation (day, month, year) \_\_\_\_\_

Has patient ever had the same or a similar condition?  Yes  No  Unknown

If yes, state when and describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of latest attendance: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Frequency of visits:  Weekly  Monthly  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Date of hospital inpatient admission: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Date of discharge: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Symptoms (please describe severity, frequency and duration) \_\_\_\_\_

**2 RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS**

List joints involved: \_\_\_\_\_

Is objective evidence of synovitis and joint deformity present?  Yes  No

Is contracture, ankylosis or impaired range of motion present?  Yes  No

If yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**Laboratory Findings**

Positive synovial fluid findings \_\_\_\_\_  A.N.A. \_\_\_\_\_ Normal \_\_\_\_\_

Rheumatoid factor titer \_\_\_\_\_ Normal \_\_\_\_\_

Histologic change from biopsy \_\_\_\_\_  Sedimentation rate \_\_\_\_\_ Normal \_\_\_\_\_

Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Are X-ray findings characteristic of, or compatible with Rheumatoid Arthritis?  Yes  No

Results of surgical treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

**3 OSTEOARTHRITIS**

List joints involved: \_\_\_\_\_

Is joint deformity and/or limitation of motion present?  Yes  No If yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Are X-ray findings characteristic of degenerative joint disease?  Yes  No

Results of medical or surgical treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

**4 OTHER RHEUMATIC DISEASE**

Reiter's Syndrome  Ankylosing Spondylitis

Connective Tissue Disorders \_\_\_\_\_  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do X-ray findings confirm diagnosis?  Yes  No If yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PROVIDE COPIES OF RELEVANT TEST RESULTS**

**5 FUNCTIONAL CAPACITY**

Patient is able to:	FREQUENCY	DURATION
Sit		
Stand		
Walk		
Drive a Car		
Bend / Twist		
Squat / Kneel / Crouch		
Climb Stairs		
Reach Above Shoulder Level		
Reach Below Shoulder Level		
Lift up to 10 lbs / 5 kg		
20 lbs / 10 kg		
50 lbs / 25 kg		

**Dominant Hand** (circle one): **LEFT** **RIGHT**

Can patient use his/her hands and fingers for gross or fine movements? (please specify)

Is patient independent for activities of daily living? (e.g., bathing, dressing, toileting, transferring, mobility, etc.)

List any assistive devices or aids that would improve the patient's ability to use his/her hands or to increase ability to sit, stand or walk:

What reasonable job or work site modifications could the employer make to assist the patient in returning to work?

**6 TREATMENT**

Medication (dose / frequency / date prescribed): \_\_\_\_\_

Other (please describe type, frequency, dates): \_\_\_\_\_

Is surgery anticipated?  Yes  No If yes, when? \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Surgery date (future): \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Type<sup>D</sup> / <sup>M</sup> / <sup>Y</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Is patient compliant with prescribed measures?  Yes  No If No, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**7 PROGNOSIS**

Is there any restriction you would like to see placed on patient's return to work?  Yes  No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated duration of restriction: \_\_\_\_\_

**Assessment and treatment are complicated by:** (Please ✓ and explain in the space provided below)

- Significant emotional or behavioral disorder such as depression, anxiety, etc.
- Exaggeration, inconsistent findings, subjective complaints out of proportion to objective findings, bizarre or contradictory observations
- Work-related issues (please describe if known)
- Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**Rehabilitation:**

a) Is patient a suitable candidate for medical rehabilitation services?  Yes  No

b) Is patient a suitable candidate for vocational rehabilitation?  Yes  No

c) If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**8 COMMENTS - Is there any other information you wish to add that will give us a better understanding of your patient's condition or treatment requirements?**

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Name of attending physician (please print)	Specialty	Telephone no. (including area code) ( ) -
Address (number, street, city, province, postal code)		
Signature	Date (day, month, year)	

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