



### Designation of a Personal Representative

A patient **may** designate a personal representative in writing. This person may be a spouse, adult child, members of the patient’s family, or close friend. They may also be any individual with power of attorney or other legally recognized authority to make medical decisions on behalf of the patient if he or she is incapacitated or otherwise unable to make decisions. As a general rule, a parent or legal guardian of a minor child will be recognized as their personal representative.

A personal representative may act on behalf of the patient for the purpose of receiving information that otherwise would be given to the patient. Such information could include: appointment changes, messages regarding surgery and/or testing, physician’s responses to phone messages and medication requests.

**PLEASE NOTE: an answering machine cannot be used as an acceptable way of leaving information.**

A staff member may refuse to disclose information to a person identified as a patient’s personal representative if he/she believes such information should be given directly to the patient.

*Please note:* This form does not grant permission to release medical records to these designated representatives. Requests for medical records must be made separately through the Medical Records department. Please allow approximately five business days to process a request for medical records.

Person(s) to whom my information may be disclosed:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Relationship Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Relationship Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Relationship Phone Number

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient/Authority Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*You may revoke or terminate this authorization at any time by submitting a written revocation to Beacon Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine, Ltd./Beacon Orthopaedics Surgery Center, LLC.*

*Revised March 2012 - 45 CFR 164.502(g)*