



**Magellan Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania, Inc.
 Consent to Release Protected Health Information (PHI)
 For Purposes Of: Lehigh County Wellness Court and Team
 Mental Illness Substance Abuse (MISA)**

Magellan Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania, Inc. (Magellan) partners with Lehigh County HealthChoices, the Lehigh County Wellness Court and Team Mental Illness Substance Abuse (MISA) to help with your care. We can help you better if we are able to work together with others that know about you.

By signing this form, you are telling us that it is OK for the partners listed above and agencies listed in Section 2 to share Protected Health Information (PHI) about you with each other. PHI means information about your health. There are laws that protect the privacy of your PHI. These laws say we cannot give your PHI to anyone else except your current doctor and Pennsylvania HealthChoices (Magellan manages your mental health and substance use disorder care for them) unless you say it is OK. If you do not want to share this information, your Behavioral Health HealthChoices Medicaid benefits will stay the same. These partners may still share information about you even if you do not sign this form, but only in the way allowed by the law. If you have questions, please ask the person who gave you this form to tell you about your rights or more details about how your health information is shared. If you still have questions, we can help. Call Magellan at 866-238-2311. Members who are hearing impaired can reach us by using PA Relay 7-1-1.

You must complete ALL sections of this form.

If any sections are left blank, this form will not be acceptable, and your PHI will not be shared.

Section 1 MEMBER INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

I say it is **OK** to let the partners listed above use/disclose the health information listed below in Section 3.

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	
Medical Assistance ID Number (ACCESS Card)	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	Phone Number (with area code)	
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code

Section 2 WHO YOUR PHI MAY BE GIVEN TO (REQUIRED)

The information listed below in Section 4 will be shared with the people at Lehigh County Lehigh County Wellness Court and with Team MISA. I consent to my information being shared with the below agencies who will be at Lehigh County Wellness Court: **(You MUST initial next to the agencies your information can be shared with or this form will not be acceptable)**

	Initial here to share your mental health and/or substance use disorder information with ALL eight (8) of the below Lehigh County agencies. If you want to only share your information with some of these agencies (and not all of them), you <u>MUST</u> initial next to the specific agency(ies) that your information can be shared with or this form will not be acceptable.
	Lehigh County Drug Court Judge 455 West Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101
	Lehigh County Court Administration 455 West Hamilton Street, Room 614, Allentown, PA 18101
	Lehigh County District Attorney Office 455 West Hamilton Street, Room 307, Allentown, PA 18101

	Lehigh County Drug and Alcohol 17 South 7th Street Allentown, PA 18101
	Lehigh County Public Defender 455 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101
	Lehigh County Adult Probation/Parole Department 455 West Hamilton Street, Room G09, Allentown, PA 18101
	Lehigh County Mental Health/Intellectual Disability (MH/ID) 17 South 7th Street, Allentown, PA 18101
	Lehigh County Jail 38 North 4th Street Allentown, PA 18102

In addition to the above agencies, my information can also be shared with the following entities/people for the purposes of attending Lehigh County Wellness Court: (If you want to share your health information with Lehigh Valley Pretrial Services, Inc. and/or PrimeCare Medical, Inc., you MUST initial next to that agency(ies) below. If you want your health information shared with a behavioral health provider who is attending Lehigh County Wellness Court, please list the provider(s) below.)

	Lehigh Valley Pretrial Services, Inc. 501 West Hamilton Street, PA 18101 Tel: (610) 289-2410
	PrimeCare Medical, Inc. 38 North 4th Street, Allentown, PA 18102 Tel: (610) 782-3134

Behavioral Health Provider: Insert name, address, and phone number of the provider group that your health information can be shared with:

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Section 3 REASON YOU WANT US TO SHARE PHI

Sharing this information will help the Lehigh County Wellness Court, Team MISA, and any other team members who attend Court in making decisions regarding me and my outcomes.

Section 4 SHARE THIS PHI ABOUT ME

My physical, behavioral health, and substance use disorder information will be shared if I sign this form. This may include current and/or past treatment history.

Section 5 WHEN WILL YOUR OK END?

My OK will end one year from the date I sign this form or when my case with Lehigh County Wellness Court and/or Team MISA is closed, whichever happens first. It also ends if I take back my OK, whichever happens first. (See Section 6 to find out how to take back your OK)

Section 6 YOUR RIGHTS & IMPORTANT FACTS

- Giving your OK is up to you. You do not have to share your information.
- You do not have to OK this form. You will still get benefits and treatment.
- You can take back your OK. You must tell us in writing. Mail it to the address listed in Section 9 below. This will not take back the PHI that we have already shared. But, we will not share any more of your PHI.
- If we share your PHI with the people or organization that you named, they may share it with others. Not everyone has to follow privacy rules.
- You should keep a copy of this signed OK. If you need another copy, please call Magellan at the phone number listed at the top of this form and we will send you a copy.
- If you do not understand anything on this form or if you have questions, we can help. Please call the phone number listed at the top of this form.
- For substance use disorder information: If the person or group listed in Section 2 above is a covered entity or business associate and gets your information for treatment, payment, or health care operations reasons, your information may be shared again by them as long as they follow the permissions in the HIPAA regulations, except for uses and disclosures for civil, criminal, administrative, and legislative proceedings against you.

A SIGNATURE AND DATE ARE REQUIRED IN EITHER SECTION 7 OR 8 BELOW

Section 7 MEMBER SIGNATURE

I give my OK to share the information listed in Section 4 with the agencies/organizations/individuals listed on this form for Lehigh County Wellness Court and/or Team MISA. (If you do not sign, we cannot accept this form.)

Signature or Mark (Required)	
Date (Required)	

Section 8 AUTHORIZED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (If Any)

Authorized Personal Representative means you have legal proof that you can act for this person. If applicable and the Authorized Personal Representative does not sign, we cannot accept this form.

Signature (Required, If Applicable)	
Print Name (Required, If Applicable)	
Date (Required, If Applicable)	

Please tell us your legal proof to act for this person. We may ask you to send us proof. (*REQUIRED*)

Section 9 WHERE TO SEND THIS FORM & ASK QUESTIONS

After you fill in and sign this form, send it to us one of the ways listed below. If you have any questions about how to complete this form, you can use any of these ways to contact us. Remember, PHI means information about your health in the past, present, or future. It includes facts like your address and date of birth, too. A full definition of PHI is at 45 CFR 160.103.

Please send it to the attention of Sarah Kinsch.

(See NOTICE TO RECIPIENT OF INFORMATION on next page; it must be included when submitting this form.)

Mailing Address: Magellan Behavioral Health of PA 790 Township Line Road, Suite 120 Yardley, PA 19067	Fax: 1-866-667-7744	Email Address: (Please be aware that email may not be a secure method) kinschs@magellanhealth.com
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NOTICE TO RECIPIENT OF INFORMATION

This record which has been disclosed to you is protected by Federal confidentiality rules (42 CFR part 2). These rules prohibit you from using or disclosing this record, or testimony that describes the information contained in this record, in any civil, criminal, administrative or legislative proceedings by any Federal, State, or local authority, against the patient, unless authorized by the consent of the patient except as provided at 42 CFR 2.12(c)(5) or as authorized by a court in accordance with 42 CFR 2.64 or 2.65. In addition, the Federal rules prohibit you from making any other use or disclosure of this record unless at least one of the following applies:

- (i) Further use or disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent of the individual whose information is being disclosed in this record or as otherwise permitted by 42 CFR part 2.
- (ii) You are a covered entity or business associate and have received the record for treatment, payment, or health care operations, or
- (iii) You have received the record from a covered entity or business associate as permitted by 45 CFR part 164, subparts A & E.

INSTRUCTIONS

**PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL SECTIONS OF THE FORM ARE FILLED IN
OR THE FORM WILL BE SENT BACK TO YOU AS WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COMPLETE THE REQUEST**

Section 1. MEMBER INFORMATION

This is information about the person whose Protected Health Information (PHI) will be shared. Please print the:

- member's first and last name;
- address; and,
- date of birth

Please also include the Medicaid Assistance ID number of the member who is giving Magellan the OK to share their PHI.

Section 2. WHO YOUR PHI MAY BE GIVEN TO

This section identifies the agencies, entities, and/or individuals that will receive the PHI of the person listed in section 1 for purposes of the Lehigh County Wellness Court and Team MISA.

You can share your PHI with all nine (9) Lehigh County agencies at once, or you can add your initials next to the specific agencies that your information can be shared with. You can also add your behavioral health provider(s) who is/are attending Lehigh County Wellness Court. This section must be completed or we cannot accept the form.

This information will assist in limiting the release of PHI to only the agencies, entities, and/or individuals you OK.

Section 3. REASON YOU WANT US TO SHARE YOUR PHI

This section tells us why you want to release your PHI. Sharing your PHI will help the Lehigh County Wellness Court and/or Team MISA to assist in making decisions regarding you.

Section 4. SHARE THIS PHI ABOUT ME

This section tells us the type of PHI we can release. If you sign this form, your physical, behavioral health, and substance use disorder information will be shared with the agencies, entities, and/or individuals that you OKed in Section 2 for Lehigh County Wellness Court and/or Team MISA.

Section 5. WHEN WILL YOUR OK END?

This section tells us when your OK expires. Your OK will end one year from the date this form is signed or when your case with Wellness Court and/or Team MISA is closed, whichever happens first.

Section 6. YOUR RIGHTS & IMPORTANT FACTS

This section lists your rights. Please read all of this section as it explains your rights and other important things.

Section 7. MEMBER SIGNATURE

This is where you sign your name and provide the date you signed the form.

- Your PHI cannot be shared if you do not **sign AND date** the form.

Section 8. AUTHORIZED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

This section tells us the person who can act on the member's behalf. If applicable, please have the personal representative sign in this section.

- An authorized personal representative has the legal authority to act on the member's behalf.
- **Please provide documentation to prove the legal authority.**
 - Examples: ■ Health Care Power of Attorney ■ Guardianship

Section 9. WHERE TO SEND THIS FORM & ASK QUESTIONS

This section provides contact information for where to submit the form or in case you have questions.

NOTE: The *NOTICE TO RECIPIENT OF INFORMATION* found on page 4 MUST be included when you submit this form or Magellan cannot accept it.