

# South Philadelphia Community Acupuncture Consent Form

**Your treatment may include one or more of the following practices:**

Acupuncture, Gua Sha, Moxibustion, Tui Na, Herbal Medicine, Diet Therapy, Oils and Liniments.

**Purpose of Treatment:** The purpose of treatment is to provide a health care service that is based on a traditional Chinese system of medical theory. Diagnosis and treatment based on these theories are used to promote health and to treat organic and functional disorders. TCM is not a replacement for conventional medical care.

**Benefits of Treatment:** Relief of presenting symptoms, improved circulation, optimizing the body's ability to heal itself, and wellness. These benefits may lead to prevention or elimination of the presenting problem, and strengthening of the patient's constitution. Of course, the practitioner cannot guarantee the outcome of any course of treatment.

**Risks of Treatment:** Traditional Chinese medical practices have been shown to be relatively safe. However, there are some uncommon but potential risks. These potential risks may include:

1. Discomfort during the insertion of a needle.
2. Dizziness or fainting.
3. Minor bruising or temporary discoloration of the skin.
4. Minor burns with the usage of some types of moxa.
5. Possible temporary aggravation of symptoms that existed prior to treatment.
6. A broken needle (very rare with the use of disposable needles).
7. Infection (very rare with the use of disposable needles).
8. Gastro-intestinal upset with the use of Chinese herbs. (If this should occur, then please notify your practitioner).

**\*\*\*Special Situations:** Some herbs and acupuncture points are contraindicative under certain situations. Please notify your practitioner **PRIOR TO TREATMENT** if you are **PREGNANT**, if you have **SEVERE BLEEDING DISORDERS**, or if you are wearing a **PACEMAKER** or **OTHER ELECTRONIC MEDICAL DEVICES**. \*\*\*

**Cancellation Policy:** Our clinic requires a **24 HOUR NOTICE OF CANCELLATION**. In respect for our intention to offer high quality health care at affordable rates, and for others in the community in need of treatment at specific times, we have a strict cancellation policy. All appointments that are rescheduled/cancelled with less than 24-hour advance notice, and appointments that are missed without notice, will be charged the regular fee for that appointment.

**Silence is Golden:** Please be mindful of the healing space we want to create for our community. By turning off your cell phones, speaking quietly in the clinic and waiting rooms, and keeping minimal conversation, we can continue to achieve a peaceful place for people to relax. Thank you!

I, \_\_\_\_\_ request and consent to receiving acupuncture and other traditional Chinese medical practices. I understand that I am free to withdraw my consent and that I may stop treatment at any time. I understand that my signature on this form indicates that I have read and comprehend the preceding information regarding my treatment. I understand that if I have any questions about this information, I should ask the treating practitioner.

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
**understand that there is a 24-hour cancellation policy and that if I do not adhere to the policy, I will be responsible for paying the regular fee for the missed appointment.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
**release South Philadelphia Community Acupuncture and its practitioners from any and all liability that may occur in connection with the above-mentioned procedures.**

Patient's Name (Please Print):

Patient's Signature

Date signed:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Who is your primary care physician? \_\_\_\_\_

When was your last acupuncture visit? \_\_\_\_\_ With whom and why? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the **MAIN REASONS** why you are coming in for treatment today (include onset):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the nature of your **PAIN** (onset, location, characteristics, what makes it feel better or worse):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please rate your pain from 1 - 10 (10 is the worst): \_\_\_\_\_ Does the pain move or radiate? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you tried other therapies? \_\_\_\_\_

Other health problems? \_\_\_\_\_

Date of any accidents, surgeries or hospitalizations: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you involved in a legal case due to an accident? If so, please write date of accident: \_\_\_\_\_

Who should we thank for referring you to South Philly Community Acupuncture? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any **MEDICATIONS** (including supplements and vitamins) you are taking. Continue on back if needed!

Medication	Dosage	Reason	Duration	Physician	Date

Did you have any severe **CHILDHOOD ILLNESSES** or immunization injuries? If yes, please explain:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Are you **HYPERSENSITIVE** or **ALLERGIC** to:

Any Drugs? \_\_\_\_\_

Any Foods? \_\_\_\_\_

Environmental factors? \_\_\_\_\_

# Symptom Profile

If you have experienced ANY of these symptoms, please use the following symbol or corresponding date:

**CURRENTLY:** please select box    **PAST:** please provide date

## SKIN:

- Acne \_\_\_\_\_
- Acute Hair Loss \_\_\_\_\_
- Itching \_\_\_\_\_
- Boils \_\_\_\_\_
- Pigment Change \_\_\_\_\_
- Hives \_\_\_\_\_
- Brittle Nails \_\_\_\_\_
- Psoriasis \_\_\_\_\_
- Rash \_\_\_\_\_
- Nail Fungus \_\_\_\_\_

## RESPIRATORY:

- Bronchitis \_\_\_\_\_
- Chronic Cough \_\_\_\_\_
- Acute Cough \_\_\_\_\_
- Sinus Congestion \_\_\_\_\_
- Chronic Asthma \_\_\_\_\_
- Emphysema \_\_\_\_\_
- Pain in Breathing \_\_\_\_\_
- Shortness of Breath \_\_\_\_\_
- Spitting up Blood \_\_\_\_\_
- Tuberculosis \_\_\_\_\_
- Pleurisy \_\_\_\_\_
- Seasonal Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

## MENTAL/EMOTIONAL:

- Anxiety \_\_\_\_\_
- Obsessive Worry \_\_\_\_\_
- Mood Swings \_\_\_\_\_
- Depression \_\_\_\_\_
- Irritability \_\_\_\_\_
- Anger/Rage \_\_\_\_\_
- Increased Fears \_\_\_\_\_
- Attempted Suicide \_\_\_\_\_
- Mental Illness \_\_\_\_\_

## HEAD / EARS / EYES / NOSE / MOUTH:

- Headache \_\_\_\_\_
- Migraine \_\_\_\_\_
- Head Injury \_\_\_\_\_
- Hay Fever \_\_\_\_\_
- Earache \_\_\_\_\_
- Ear Ringing \_\_\_\_\_
- Impaired Hearing \_\_\_\_\_
- Thirst \_\_\_\_\_
- Sore Throat \_\_\_\_\_

## HEAD / EARS / EYES / NOSE / MOUTH CONT'D:

- Swollen Glands \_\_\_\_\_
- Nose Bleeds \_\_\_\_\_
- Loss of Smell \_\_\_\_\_
- Bleeding Gums \_\_\_\_\_
- Mouth Ulcers/Sores \_\_\_\_\_
- Dental Cavities \_\_\_\_\_
- Teeth Grinding \_\_\_\_\_
- Jaw Problems/TMJ \_\_\_\_\_
- Oral Thrush \_\_\_\_\_
- Hoarseness \_\_\_\_\_
- Trouble Swallowing \_\_\_\_\_
- Dizziness \_\_\_\_\_
- Vertigo \_\_\_\_\_
- Eye Pain \_\_\_\_\_
- Night Blindness \_\_\_\_\_
- Eye Tearing \_\_\_\_\_
- Eye Drying \_\_\_\_\_
- Cataracts \_\_\_\_\_
- Phlegm Congestion \_\_\_\_\_

## DIGESTION:

- Nausea \_\_\_\_\_
  - Vomiting \_\_\_\_\_
  - Loss of Appetite \_\_\_\_\_
  - Excess Appetite \_\_\_\_\_
  - Gas/Flatulent \_\_\_\_\_
  - Bloating \_\_\_\_\_
  - Cramping \_\_\_\_\_
  - Constipation \_\_\_\_\_
  - Hemorrhoids \_\_\_\_\_
  - Diarrhea \_\_\_\_\_
  - Ulcer \_\_\_\_\_
- BM per day: \_\_\_\_\_

## CARDIOVASCULAR:

- Heart Disease \_\_\_\_\_
- Endocarditis \_\_\_\_\_
- Chest Pain \_\_\_\_\_
- Heart Murmur \_\_\_\_\_
- Low Blood Pressure \_\_\_\_\_
- Phlebitis \_\_\_\_\_
- Blood Clots \_\_\_\_\_
- Ankle Swelling \_\_\_\_\_
- High Blood Pressure \_\_\_\_\_
- Palpitations \_\_\_\_\_
- Fainting \_\_\_\_\_
- High Cholesterol \_\_\_\_\_

## URINARY TRACT:

- Frequent Infection \_\_\_\_\_
- Incontinence \_\_\_\_\_
- Night Time Frequency \_\_\_\_\_
- Burning/Pain \_\_\_\_\_
- Frequent Urination \_\_\_\_\_
- Scanty Amount \_\_\_\_\_
- Dribbling \_\_\_\_\_
- Kidney Stones \_\_\_\_\_
- Blood in Urine \_\_\_\_\_

## MUSCULOSKELETAL:

- Muscle Spasm \_\_\_\_\_
- Weakness \_\_\_\_\_
- Sciatica \_\_\_\_\_
- Fibromyalgia \_\_\_\_\_
- Joint Pain \_\_\_\_\_
- Stiffness \_\_\_\_\_
- Swelling \_\_\_\_\_

## MISCELLANEOUS:

- Bleed/Bruise Easily \_\_\_\_\_
  - Varicose Veins \_\_\_\_\_
  - Anemia \_\_\_\_\_
  - Chronic Infections \_\_\_\_\_
  - Hypoglycemia \_\_\_\_\_
  - HIV + \_\_\_\_\_
  - Hyperthyroid \_\_\_\_\_
  - Cancer \_\_\_\_\_
  - Chronic Fatigue Syndrome \_\_\_\_\_
  - Cold Intolerance \_\_\_\_\_
  - Heat Intolerance \_\_\_\_\_
  - Cold Hands/Feet \_\_\_\_\_
  - Hepatitis (A/B/C) \_\_\_\_\_
  - Herpes Genital \_\_\_\_\_
  - Herpes Oral \_\_\_\_\_
  - Diabetes (I/II) \_\_\_\_\_
  - Sudden Weight Loss \_\_\_\_\_
  - Kidney Disease \_\_\_\_\_
  - Spontaneous Sweats \_\_\_\_\_
  - Night Sweats \_\_\_\_\_
  - Fatigue \_\_\_\_\_
  - Low Energy \_\_\_\_\_
  - Jaundice \_\_\_\_\_
  - Gall Bladder Disease \_\_\_\_\_
  - Testicular Pain \_\_\_\_\_
  - Prostate Disease \_\_\_\_\_
  - Nighttime Urination \_\_\_\_\_
  - Premature Ejaculation \_\_\_\_\_
  - Impotence \_\_\_\_\_
- Last Prostate Exam: \_\_\_\_\_

**OB/GYN:**

Are You Pregnant?		# of Days in Menstrual Cycle (ex. 28 days)		Are you Sexually Active?	
# of Pregnancies		# of Days of Blood Flow (ex. 2-7 days)		Sexual Difficulties	
# of Miscarriages		Age at First Menses		Decreased Libido	
# of Abortions		Color of Blood (red/purple/brown)		Method of Birth Control	
# of IUI		Amount of Blood (excess/moderate/light)		Cervical Dysplasia	
# of IVF		Blood Consistency (thick/medium/thin)		Fibroids	
Breast Lumps		Clots? (size, frequency)		Ovarian Cysts	
Breast Tenderness		Vaginal Discharge		Endometriosis	
Fibrocystic Breasts		Pain or Cramps (type/ location)		Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome (PCOS)	
Date of Last PAP Smear		Day of Ovulation		Lichen Sclerosis	
PAP results		Quality of Cervical Fluid During Ovulation		Yeast Infections	

**LIFESTYLE:**

Do you **SLEEP** well? \_\_\_\_\_

What **time** of day is your **ENERGY** at its best? \_\_\_\_\_

What **time** of day is your **ENERGY** at its worst? \_\_\_\_\_

Do You **EXERCISE**? If yes, what kind and how often?  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

What do you generally have for the following meals?

**BREAKFAST** \_\_\_\_\_

**LUNCH** \_\_\_\_\_

**DINNER** \_\_\_\_\_

**SNACK** \_\_\_\_\_

Do you **RESTRICT** certain foods from your diet?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have a history of psychological, physical or sexual abuse?** \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything you feel is important for us to know regarding your answer?  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

How much do you typically consume of the following?

**SODA** \_\_\_\_\_

**ALCOHOL** \_\_\_\_\_

**CAFFEINE** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOBACCO** \_\_\_\_\_

**RECREATIONAL DRUGS** \_\_\_\_\_

**ETC** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please rate how you FEEL about these areas in your life:**

	Great	Good	Fair	Poor	Bad	Comments:
Partner						
Family						
Diet						
Sex						
Self						
Work						
Exercise						
Spirituality						