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## INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for contacting **thesecondopinion**. Our service is available to any adult diagnosed with cancer living in California who is able to attend a second opinion panel *in person* at our San Francisco office.

You will be contacted with your appointment date after we have received the following enclosed completed paperwork from you:

**A.**

- FORM 1 : Registration and Authorization**
- FORM 2: Medical Intake**
- FORM 3: Release of Information**
- FORM 4: Physicians and Medical Facilities**
- FORM 5: Statistical Questionnaire**

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1200 Gough Street, Suite 500  
San Francisco, CA 94110

**email:** [mail@thesecondopinion.org](mailto:mail@thesecondopinion.org)

**FAX:** 415-346-8652

**We will request all your medical records, pathology slides and radiology from our office - unless you tell us that you prefer to collect them yourself. (Read below)**

*If you choose to collect your records yourself, please notify us. You will need to provide each physician's office or clinic (see "B." below) and each Hospital Department (see "C." below) with a separate copy of your completed Release of Information form.*

*The following information needs to be requested:*

**B. From each private doctor's office or clinic** (surgeon, medical oncologist and/or radiation oncologist):

1. Copies of **Medical records** relating to your cancer diagnosis, including, if possible, a **short medical summary** from your medical oncologist and/or radiation oncologist.

**C. From your hospital or medical center** (Each Department must be provided with a **separate copy** of your completed **FORM 3: Release of Information** as follows):

1. **Medical Records Department:** Medical records pertaining to your cancer diagnosis, to include surgical reports, consultation reports, hospital discharge summaries and outpatient clinic visits.
2. **Pathology Department:** Pathology slides and reports related to your cancer diagnosis
3. **Radiology Department:** X-rays and scans (CT, MRI, PET) and reports related to your cancer diagnosis.

**It may take a few weeks to complete your file. Once our Medical Director determines that your materials are complete, we will call to schedule you for the next available panel date.**

On your scheduled panel day, you will meet with your physician panel to discuss your case, ask your questions and hear their recommendations. Following the panel, a second opinion letter will be mailed to you and your physicians.

**Again--please be sure to notify us as soon as possible if you wish to acquire your medical records, pathology slides and radiology films yourself.**

## **FORM I : REGISTRATION and AUTHORIZATION**

### **THIS AUTHORIZATION APPLIES TO ALL MEDICAL RECORDS, MATERIALS AND INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE SECOND OPINION**

I am requesting a Second Opinion concerning my cancer diagnosis and treatment. By signing this document I am authorizing **thesecondopinion** to access my medical information and share it with physicians/medical specialists associated with **thesecondopinion** service for the purpose of providing a medical consultation to me and my treating physicians.

I understand that my records will be seen by employees of **thesecondopinion**, who will distribute them only to the physicians and medical specialists involved in providing my second opinion. All of my information will remain confidential. This authorization also applies to any updated information that I may bring to my second opinion meeting on my panel date.

I also give permission to provide a follow-up second opinion letter to myself and my treating physicians, whom I shall designate at the time of the panel session.

I understand that **thesecondopinion** charges no fees for its services.

I understand that I may revoke this authorization in writing at any time.

**This authorization expires one year from the date shown below or upon my revocation, whichever occurs earliest.**

Patient Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

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

\_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_



**Medical Intake Form--Form II**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sex:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Mobile

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person, if other than patient: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person's phone and or email : \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Cancer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**When were you diagnosed with cancer?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you received a prior Second Opinion?** \_\_\_\_\_ **If so where and when?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you planning to Obtain Additional Opinions?** \_\_\_\_\_ **If so where and when?** \_\_\_\_\_

**I will need the help of translator services.** Which Language? \_\_\_\_\_

**How did you hear about us?**

**Why are you seeking a second opinion?**

**Please tell us briefly about your cancer diagnosis and treatment to date. This will help us determine the records that will be needed for your panel review:**

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## PATIENT HEALTH INFORMATION RELEASE FORM

### I HEREBY AUTHORIZE:

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME OF HOSPITAL, DOCTOR, LABORATORY OR DEPARTMENT

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY

\_\_\_\_\_  
STATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP CODE

**TO RELEASE TO: Howard B. Kleckner, MD**  
**Medical Director**  
**The Second Opinion**  
**1200 Gough Street – Suite 500**  
**San Francisco, CA 94109**

### RECORDS AND INFORMATION OF:

\_\_\_\_\_  
PATIENT NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
MEDICAL NUMBER

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF BIRTH

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE NUMBER

**INTENDED USE:** CANCER CONSULTATIVE PANEL

**Duration:** I understand that this authorization is effective immediately and shall be valid for one year.

**Right to Revoke:** I understand that I may revoke this authorization in writing at any time.

**Reuse:** I understand that no other use will be made of this information without prior authorization from me unless such use is specifically required/permitted by law.

### RECORDS TO BE RELEASED:

- MEDICAL RECORDS RELATED TO CANCER DIAGNOSIS, INCLUDING LAB REPORTS, CONSULTATIONS, OPERATIVE REPORTS AND PATIENT SUMMARIES.
- X-RAYS AND REPORTS, CT scans, MRIs and REPORTS
- PATHOLOGY SLIDES AND REPORTS
- NUCLEAR SCANS AND REPORTS

Patient signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**FORM IV: PHYSICIANS and MED INFO**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home

Mobile

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

Type of Cancer: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received a prior Second Opinion? \_\_\_\_\_ If so where and when? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning to Obtain Additional Opinions? \_\_\_\_\_ If so where and when? \_\_\_\_\_

I will need the help of translator services. Which Language? \_\_\_\_\_

**To the best of your knowledge, please list all physicians and medical facilities involved in your care.  
Addresses and phone numbers are appreciated.**

**Oncologist:** \_\_\_\_\_, MD  
Facility/Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone/Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates under care: \_\_\_\_\_

**Surgeon:** \_\_\_\_\_, MD  
Facility/Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone/Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates under care: \_\_\_\_\_

**Radiation Oncologist:** \_\_\_\_\_, MD  
Facility/Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone/Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates under care: \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Specialist:** \_\_\_\_\_, MD  
Facility/Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone/Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates under care: \_\_\_\_\_

**Hospital/Facility:** **Medical Records Department:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Radiology Department:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Pathology Department:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Other Department:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Feel free to use the back of this page if you need additional space.*

**FORM V: STATISTICAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

Name: (initials) \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Cancer: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our service? \_\_\_\_\_

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***The information below is used only to provide statistics to potential funding organizations. No names will be used.***

**Ethnic identity: (Please circle each identity that applies to you)**

African American      Latino/Hispanic      Pacific Islander      Asian  
Native American      White      Multi-Racial      Other

**Are you:** (Please circle one)      Single      Married      Widowed      Divorced

**Are you:** (Please circle all that apply)

Employed      Retired      Unemployed      On Disability      other

**Annual Combined Household Income:** (Please circle one below):

\$50,000 or Less      \$51,000 - \$79,000      80,000-100,000      \$101,000 or Above

**Is your medical care covered by** (Please circle all that apply):

Medical insurance      Medi-Cal      Medicare      No coverage      Other

**Our consultative services are completely free of charge. We will not bill you or whoever covers your health care. But we would like to know if you have coverage for the costs for second opinions, even if outside your health plan network?**

Yes      Partial with Co-Pay      No      I don't know

Thank you for providing this information to **thesecondopinion**.