

Consent to be a Research Participant at Nexus Pain Care

Research Study Project

Purpose. We hope to study pain management to inform us about how the treatment you are receiving is impacting your pain. We also want to be able to share what we learn with our professionals with a scientific interest in the field of pain management. We do this by creating a database of questionnaires and information about pain management from which we will carry out various research projects as scientific questions about pain management arise.

Procedures. All patients at Nexus Pain Care are asked to fill out various questionnaires as part of their care. Intake questionnaires are completed by patients prior to meeting with their physician for the first time and follow up questionnaires such as the Patient Comfort Assessment Guide are completed at each follow-up visit. We would like to place information from your questionnaires in a confidentially coded research database. You have the right to choose whether or not you participate at any time. If you choose not to participate, information from your questionnaires will not be placed in the archive nor will it be included in scientific research reports.

Confidentiality. All information about your visits here at Nexus Pain Care are strictly confidential. Information about you will be kept in a secure, confidential file regardless of inclusion in the research database. Personally identifying information is removed from the research database and replaced by code numbers making it impossible to identify individual patients from database information. Coded information will be stored indefinitely in a secure manner. Information from the database will be reported as group data only. Individuals will never be identifiable in such reports. Only researchers from Nexus Pain Care or researchers working under the close supervision of Nexus Pain Care researchers will have access to information in the research database.

Risks. Risks from including your information in our research database are no greater than the risk of pain management interventions.

Benefits. The main benefit in allowing us to include information about your treatment in our research database is that pain management as a science and profession may improve through better understanding about pain management gained through our research.

Consent. We would like to use the information from your questionnaires in the research database. If you consent to have your information included in the database, sign on the line directly below, at the left. If you do not consent, sign on the line directly below, at the right. You may discuss this with the nurse or your physician before you sign or you may sign now.

I agree to participate. I agree to have information from my questionnaires included in the research archive

or

I do not agree to participate. I don't want information from my questionnaires to be included in the research archive

(print name)

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Researcher. If you have any questions about the research project please contact Dr. James Cloyd, Nexus Pain Care, 3585 University Ave Suite 150, Provo, Utah, 84604; phone (801) 356-6100