

Instructions to complete the Highmark Health Options Member Request for Access to Protected Health Information Form

Section A: Member Information

1. Write the first and last name of the member whose information is being requested.
2. Write the member's identification number.
3. Write the member's address.
4. Write the member's date of birth.
5. Write the member's telephone number.

Section B: Health Information to be disclosed

1. Check the health information that you want disclosed from the list on the form (check all that apply): All records Enrollment; Payment; Claims adjudication; Medical Management; and/or Appeals and Grievances.
2. Check the information that you do NOT want disclosed (check as appropriate): Mental health; Sexually Transmitted Diseases; HIV/AIDS-related Testing and/or Treatment; Alcohol/Drug abuse treatment; and/or Pregnancy/Family Planning.
3. Check the specific dates of service from which you would like the information to be disclosed.
4. Check who should receive the information:
 - a. You at the address associated with your file.
 - b. You at a different address that you need to list below.
 - c. A designated person at an address that you need to list below.

Section C: Signature

1. This form must be signed and dated by the member whose information is to be released.
2. If the member is unable to sign this form, a personal representative with legal authority on file with Highmark Health Options may sign and date the form. If a personal representative is signing the form on the member's behalf:
 - a. Write the personal representative's relationship to the member.
 - b. Write the personal representative's telephone number.
 - c. Write the personal representative's address.

Section D: Personal Representatives

If you are completing this form on behalf of a Highmark Health Options member please indicate in this section the legal authority that gives you this right (i.e. Personal Representative form, Healthcare Power of Attorney, legal guardianship, etc.).

If you have not already done so, you will be required to complete an Authorization to Use and Disclose Form and submit it to Highmark Health Options. If the form is not on file when we receive this form, the request will be denied. The form can be obtained and returned in the same manner as the Access Request Form.



Member Request for Access to Protected Health Information

Section A: Member Information (Please Print)

Member Name:	Member ID:
Address:	
Date of Birth:	Telephone:

Section B: Health Information to be disclosed:

By completing and submitting this form, I request to review protected health information (PHI) about me in a “designated record set” held by Highmark Health Options in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended (HIPAA). For purposes of this form, a “designated record set” is a group of records maintained by or for Highmark Health Options including enrollment, payment, claims and health plan case or medical management record systems; or records used by or for Highmark Health Options to make decisions about members.

Select the health information you would like disclosed (check all that apply):

- All records
- Enrollment
- Payment
- Claims
- Medical Management
- Appeals and Grievances

Disclose my information as above, **BUT DO NOT** include information related to (check all that apply):

- Mental health
- Sexually Transmitted Diseases
- HIV/AIDS-related Testing and/or Treatment
- Alcohol/Drug abuse treatment
- Pregnancy/Family Planning
- Other (please specify): _____

List specific dates of service: Start date: ____/____/____ End date: ____/____/____

- I request that a copy of PHI about myself be mailed to me at the address above.
- I request that a copy of PHI about myself be mailed to me at the address listed below:
- I request that a copy of PHI about myself be mailed to _____ at the following address:
(designated person)

Address:

PLEASE FILL OUT THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM

Section C: Signature

I understand that Highmark Health Options has 10 days to respond to this request, starting from the day we receive it.

I understand that if Highmark Health Options grants this request, in whole or in part, it will inform me of the acceptance of this request and provide a copy of the records requested.

I understand that Highmark Health Options has the right to deny the request, in whole or in part, and will provide me with a written denial.

I understand that this request does not apply to certain health information, including (1) information that is not held in the designated record set; (2) psychotherapy notes; (3) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of, or for use in, a civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding; and (4) other health information not subject to the right to access information under HIPAA.

I understand that this request for access to my protected health information is only applicable to the information maintained by Highmark Health Options. If I would like access to my protected health information maintained by any health care provider, a separate request must be submitted to that provider.

I understand that if my request for access to PHI is denied, I may have the right to request a reconsideration of the denial decision. I must submit my request for reconsideration in writing to:

Highmark Health Options WV
Attn: Enrollee Services
614 Market St.
Parkersburg, WV 26101

I understand that any form returned to Highmark Health Options incomplete will be returned to me for completion and my access request will not be implemented until all the information is received complete and processed.

I understand that if I change health care benefits coverage, or leave Highmark Health Options and later return as a member, I will need to resubmit this request.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If this authorization is signed by someone who is not the member listed at the top of this form, attach any documents (i.e. general power of attorney) that verify the signer’s authority to act for the member.

Section D: If you are a Personal Representative filling out this form for a Highmark Health Options member, please write that relationship below and the legal reason that gives you this right (i.e. Power of Attorney, guardian, etc.). If you have not done so, you will be required to fill out an Authorization to Use and Disclose Form and send it to Highmark Health Options. You can get the form and return it in the same way as the Access Request Form.

If you are not the member, print your name:	Relationship to member:
Legal form on file:	Telephone number:

Address:

