

Welcome to Radiant Life Chiropractic

Our mission at Radiant Life Chiropractic is to help you achieve all of your health goals and needs. Whether your main reason for seeing us is to get out of pain, increase your energy, lose weight or simply take your health to the next level, we are here to provide you with the tools and knowledge to help you on your journey to optimal health.

The first step in the process is to establish your current state of health and the overall function of your body. In order for us to assess this and understand the root cause of your symptoms, we will take you through a series of non-invasive examinations on your initial visit. This includes a full case history, nerve and muscle tests, postural analysis, functional movement assessment, bioimpedance analysis, and spinal x-rays.

There are a few simple steps for you to follow prior to your examination:

- No alcohol within 24 hours
- No exercise for 4 hours
- Avoid caffeine or food for 4 hours
- Consume 2-4 glasses of water within 2 hours

On the day of your visit, we ask that you wear comfortable clothing you can easily move in. We will take a postural photo of you, so please avoid multiple layers or bulky clothing.

At your initial visit, please bring all completed paperwork (6 pages total, not including this one) and any previous X-ray or MRI reports, or recent blood work with you so we may refer to these during our case history.

Your initial assessment will take between 45-60 minutes. Please allow sufficient time for your appointment. If you have time constraints, contact our office prior to your visit.

PLEASE NOTE:

Because we block special times for new patients, we have a 24-hour cancellation policy where the initial exam fee will be charged if prior notice has not been given. If you are running late please contact the front desk at 215-259-5100. Late arrivals do run the risk of requiring a rescheduled appointment.

Informed Consent

When a person seeks our care and when we accept a patient for such care, it is essential that they are both working towards the same goals. The goal of our office is to allow your body to function at its highest potential, free from interference and stress that causes dysfunction, disease, and eventually symptoms and sickness. Most importantly, you must understand that our care is not a substitute for medical treatment of any kind, in anyway, or for any reason. The medical approach treats symptoms and diagnoses conditions and diseases. Patients usually go to their medical doctors to get rid of whatever symptoms or conditions are bothering them. This is symptom, sickness and disease care and is necessary in emergency situations. Our approach recognizes that you get symptoms for a reason, attempts to find the cause of the symptoms, and addresses the function of the whole body. This is how we define healthcare; focusing on the optimum function of the individual, and it is what we do it in our office.

We provide various services in our office including chiropractic care, massage therapy, and nutritional services. The purpose of chiropractic care is to restore and maintain the integrity of the spine, spinal cord and its nerve roots. Vital nerve pathways are housed within and protected by the bones of the spine call vertebrae. Misalignments of those vertebrae, which interfere with transmission of normal nerve impulses, are called subluxations. Subluxations are the most common cause of nerve system interference (pinched nerve) and cause dysfunction to the tissue and organs that these nerves supply. With appropriate chiropractic care, these subluxations can be reduced and corrected, which will restore normal nerve function. A properly functioning nerve system is the foundation to good health.

Chiropractic care, like all forms of health care, holds certain risks. While the risks are most often very minimal, in rare cases, complications such as sprain/strain injuries, irritation of a disc condition, and although rare, minor fractures, and possible stroke, which occurs at a rate between one instance per one million to one per two million, have been associated with chiropractic adjustments.

Treatment objectives as well as the risks associated with chiropractic adjustments and, all other procedures provided at Radiant Life Chiropractic have been explained to me to my satisfaction and I have conveyed my understanding of both to the doctor. After careful consideration, I do hereby consent to treatment by any means, method, and or techniques, the doctor deems necessary to treat my condition at any time throughout the entire clinical course of my care.

We look forward to a healthy relationship with you and your family.

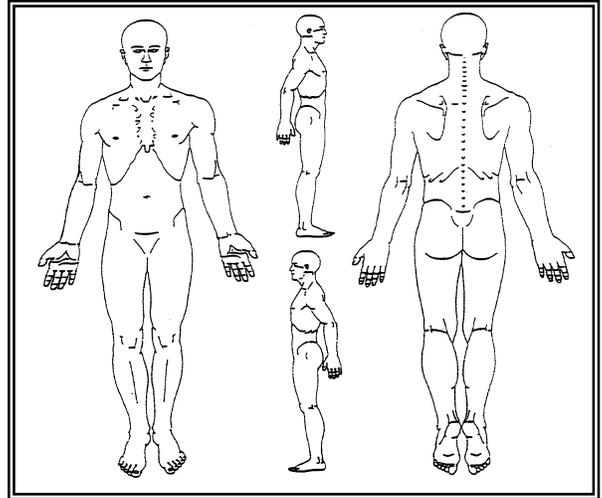
_____ / ____ / ____  *Witness Initials*
Patient or Authorized Person's Signature Date

YOUR VISIT

Please indicate the main reason you are seeing us today: _____

If you are seeing us for a pain-related issue, PLACE LETTERS on the image to the right to show the type of pain you feel in each location.

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| R=Radiating | B=Burning |
| D=Dull | A=Aching |
| N=Numbness | T=Tingling |
| S=Sharp/Stabbing | |



Using the pain scale to the right, CIRCLE the pain level you experience when your problem is at its very worst.

- 0 = No Pain.** No Discomfort
- 1 = Minimal Discomfort.** Minor stiffness or tightness.
- 2 = Discomfort.** Stiff, tight, sore. Muscle fatigue.
- 3 = Minimal Pain.** More than just sore. Uncomfortable.
- 4 = Mild Pain.** Noticeable pain but tolerable.
- 5 = Moderate Pain.** Aggravating. Still allows movement.
- 6 = Strong Pain.** Quite aggravating. Movement slightly limited.
- 7 = Very Strong Pain.** Very aggravating. Movement definitely limited.
- 8 = Very, Very Strong Pain.** Extremely aggravating. Movement very limited.
- 9 = Severe Pain.** Brings tears. Almost impossible to move.
- 10 = Excruciating Pain.** Agony. Unbearable. Cannot move. ER.

Is there any radiating pain into the arms or legs? Yes _____ No _____ Is there any numbness or tingling? Yes _____ No _____

How often do you experience your problem? (Please indicate for each of the body locations, if applicable)

Constant (75-100% of the time): _____ Frequent (50-75% of the time): _____
 Occasional (25-50% of the time): _____ Intermittent (0-25% of the time): _____

List any MDs or Chiropractors you've already seen for this problem: _____

What tests have you already had for this problem? X-rays _____ MRI _____ Myelogram _____ EMG / NCV _____ None _____
 Other (please describe) _____

What makes your problem worse? Sitting _____ Standing _____ Changing Position _____ Walking _____ Bending _____
 Lifting _____ Twisting _____ Reaching _____ Driving _____ Sleeping _____ Sneeze / Cough _____ Computer Work _____
 Telephone _____ Going from Sit to Stand _____ Other (please describe) _____

MEDICAL HISTORY

Please list any significant conditions you've been diagnosed with or have been treated for over the course of your life: _____

Please list any injuries or surgeries you have had over the course of your life: _____

Are you allergic to any medications? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please list: _____

List any medications, herbs or supplements you are taking and the reason for their use: _____

FAMILY HISTORY

Mother: Living _____ Deceased _____ List any medical problems: _____

Father: Living _____ Deceased _____ List any medical problems: _____

List any problems common to your family: Cancer _____ Diabetes _____ Heart disease _____ High blood pressure _____

Stroke _____ Arthritis _____ Scoliosis _____ Thyroid disease _____ Osteoporosis _____ Other (describe) _____

SOCIAL HISTORY

Do you have any children? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, how many and what ages? _____

Do you drink alcohol? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, how much and how often? _____

Do you smoke? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, how much, how often and how long? _____

What do you do most of the day in your job postures, positions and repetitive movements? _____

On a scale of 1 to 10 (1= Worst and 10= Best) rate how well you think you are doing with the following:

Exercise _____ Sleep _____ Diet _____ Ability to Manage Stress _____ Water Intake _____ Energy Level _____

REVIEW OF SYSTEMS

Please use the scale below (0 to 4) to rate each of the symptoms on this page according to your health status over the past 30 days:

- 0 = Never have this symptom
 1 = Occasionally have this symptom, effect not severe
 2 = Occasionally have this symptom, effect is severe
 3 = Frequently have this symptom, effect not severe
 4 = Frequently have this symptom, effect is severe

Head: <input type="checkbox"/> Headaches <input type="checkbox"/> Faintness <input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness <input type="checkbox"/> Insomnia	Energy / Activity: <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue / Sluggishness <input type="checkbox"/> Apathy / Lethargy <input type="checkbox"/> Hyperactivity <input type="checkbox"/> Restlessness	Lungs: <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Congestion <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma, Bronchitis <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of Breath <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty Breathing
Eyes: <input type="checkbox"/> Watery or Itchy Eyes <input type="checkbox"/> Swollen, Red or Sticky Eyelids <input type="checkbox"/> Bags or Dark Circles Under Eyes <input type="checkbox"/> Blurred or Tunnel Vision (not including near or far sightedness)	Weight: <input type="checkbox"/> Binge Eating / Drinking <input type="checkbox"/> Craving Certain Foods <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive Weight <input type="checkbox"/> Compulsive Eating <input type="checkbox"/> Water Retention <input type="checkbox"/> Underweight	Heart: <input type="checkbox"/> Irregular or Skipped Heartbeat <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid or Pounding Heartbeat <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain
Ears: <input type="checkbox"/> Itchy Ears <input type="checkbox"/> Earaches, Ear Infections <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage from Ear <input type="checkbox"/> Ringing in Ears, Hearing Loss	Emotions: <input type="checkbox"/> Mood Swings <input type="checkbox"/> Anxiety / Fear / Nervousness <input type="checkbox"/> Anger / Irritability / Aggressiveness <input type="checkbox"/> Depression	Digestive Tract: <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea, Vomiting <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea <input type="checkbox"/> Constipation <input type="checkbox"/> Bloating Feeling <input type="checkbox"/> Belching, Passing Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Heartburn <input type="checkbox"/> Intestinal / Stomach Pain
Nose: <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffy Nose <input type="checkbox"/> Sinus Problems <input type="checkbox"/> Hay Fever <input type="checkbox"/> Sneezing Attacks <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive Mucus Formation	Mind: <input type="checkbox"/> Poor Memory <input type="checkbox"/> Confusion, Poor Comprehension <input type="checkbox"/> Poor Concentration <input type="checkbox"/> Poor Physical Condition <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty Making Decisions <input type="checkbox"/> Stuttering or Stammering <input type="checkbox"/> Slurred Speech	Mouth and Throat: <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic Coughing <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent Need to Clear Throat <input type="checkbox"/> Sore Throat, Hoarseness <input type="checkbox"/> Swollen or Discolored Tongue <input type="checkbox"/> Canker Sores
Skin: <input type="checkbox"/> Acne <input type="checkbox"/> Hives, Rashes, Dry Skin <input type="checkbox"/> Hair Loss <input type="checkbox"/> Flushing, Hot Flashes <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive Sweating	Joints / Muscles: <input type="checkbox"/> Pain or Aches in Joints <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis <input type="checkbox"/> Stiffness or Limited Movement <input type="checkbox"/> Pain or Aches in Muscles <input type="checkbox"/> Weakness or Fatigued Muscles	Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent Illness <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent or Urgent Urination <input type="checkbox"/> Genital Itch or Discharge

QUADRUPLE VISUAL ANALOGUE SCALE

Please read carefully:

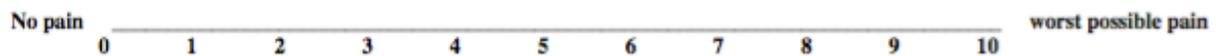
Directions: Please circle the number that best describes the question being asked

Note: If you have more than one complaint, please answer the question for each individual complaint and indicate the score for each complaint.

1. What is your pain RIGHT NOW?



2. What is your TYPICAL or AVERAGE pain?



3. What is your pain level AT ITS BEST (How close to "0" does your pain get?)



4. What is your pain level AT ITS WORST? (How close to "10" does your pain get?)



OTHER COMMENTS:

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I hereby authorize payment to be made directly to Radiant Life Chiropractic for all benefits which may be payable under a healthcare plan or from any other collateral sources. I authorize utilization of this application or copies thereof for the purpose of processing claims and effecting payments, and further acknowledge that this assignment of benefits does not in any way relieve me of payment liability and that I will remain financially responsible to Radiant Life Chiropractic for any and all services I receive at this office.

Patient or Authorized Person's Signature

____ - ____ - ____
Date Completed

Doctor's Signature

____ - ____ - ____
Date Form Reviewed