

Dr. McMakin's
Chiropractic

FSM Clinic

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Chiropractic Physician • Diagnosis + Treatment of Chronic Pain • Frequency Specific Microcurrent

INFORMED CONSENT FORM

A. The differential diagnosis of chronic pain is, by its nature, challenging. Dr. McMakin uses standard physical medicine diagnostic procedures, a comprehensive and detailed medical history, functional assessment, physical examination, palpation and observation to attempt to determine the cause of chronic illness and pain complaints. The patient agrees to disclose all relevant or concerning symptoms, and to provide an accurate medical history. Additional imaging suggested by the history, physical examination or response to treatment may be ordered, if such imaging is not available. Imaging may or may not be covered or approved by insurance coverage. Laboratory evaluation of blood or saliva may be ordered if necessary, as suggested by the history or physical examination.

Chronic pain and chronic disease often represent an imbalance in the complex interrelated components of all systems of the human body. There are many factors involved in chronic pain including but not limited to physical trauma, tissue damage or disruption, dietary factors, genetic predisposition and vulnerability, physical, environmental, toxic, infectious or inflammatory factors, psycho-emotional stress and trauma, malnutrition, and spiritual disharmony.

B. Treatment protocols for any patient may include Frequency Specific Microcurrent, manual soft tissue therapy, lymphatic massage, joint mobilization and joint mobilization using a mechanical device (Activator). Nutritional supplementation, herbal or homeopathic medicinal products, dietary changes and exercises may be recommended. The patient may be referred for physical therapy, massage therapy or psychological counseling as needed and agreed upon between Dr. McMakin and the patient. These therapies are supported by scientific data implying hypothetical applications to the treatment of specific disease but may be considered investigational and/or experimental by some. Dr. McMakin uses therapies that are supported by observation and anecdotal data collated by many physicians and investigators, but they have not been proven by double-blind placebo-controlled studies. All therapies provided fall within the scope of practice for Chiropractors in the state of Oregon.

These therapies are relatively low risk when administered and complied with properly. However, as with any therapeutic intervention, there is always a risk of idiosyncratic unpredictable adverse side effects. The most common FSM side effects are a relaxed floaty feeling and local skin irritation.

C. Treatment by Dr. McMakin will be provided after informed consent, a good-faith examination of the patient, when medical indication exists for the treatment or advice, or it may be provided for health, well-being, comfort or palliative care. If the recommended treatment is unsuccessful at producing remission of pain, lasting reduction of pain or improvement of function based on objective or subjective measures available, the patient will be offered the opportunity to discontinue therapy or seek another care provider. Treatment will be delivered with the intention of providing relief or remission but there is no implied guarantee of positive or permanent results. It is Dr. McMakin's intention that the treatments provided not delay or discourage traditional diagnosis or treatment of a condition.

By signing this form, I acknowledge I have been duly informed of my condition, the conventional allopathic treatments and common outcomes, Dr. McMakin's proposed treatments and the common potential side effects and adverse events of the proposed treatments. Dr. McMakin has respected my ability to make my own decisions and has not discouraged me from seeking conventional/allopathic treatment. I am aware that Dr. McMakin does not bill insurance and does not participate in Medicare.

Patient Printed Name: _____

Patient Signature: _____ Date: _____

Form submitted by: Dr Carolyn McMakin Dr Sandra Osterberg