

Welcome to the NYRC Team!

"Credentialing and On-Boarding"

NORTH YORK REHABILITATION CENTRE CORPORATION

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Assessor Credentialing

Purpose:

NYRC maintains and implements a formal process of credentialing and re-credentialing Independent Medical Examiners annually in compliance with nationally recognized credentialing standards.

Why is this important?

This package and process functions to ensure that all of your information related to the IME process is accurate and up to date. This will effectively prevent any potential qualification and liability issues that may arise in Canadian Courts based on medical legal reports rendered.

In addition, it is important for assessors to review and adhere to the duties of the court and clients of NYRC when providing IME services and to understand the duties that NYRC has toward its assessors.

Assessor Checklist			
Please return the following items/documents to NYRC Corporation:			
Signed Privacy Policy			
Signed Letter of Understanding			
CV Current as of			
Proof of Professional College Registration (photocopy)			
Proof of Liability Insurance (photocopy)			
Completed Evaluator Information Form			
Two Sample Redacted Medical Legal Reports			



EVALUATOR INFORMATION FORM

Evaluator Name:			
Discipline:			
Sub-Discipline:	BC License #:		
	Other License(s) #:		
Phone:	Fax:		
Cell Phone:	Email:		
Assistant Name:			
Assistant Phone:	Assistant Email:		
Correspondence Address:			
City:	Province:	Postal Code:	
Please indicate approximately how many IMEs you have completed to date:			

AVAILABILITY AND PREFERENCES

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Location Preference?	[] Own Office	[] NYRC	BC Office	
If address different from above, please provide in the space below:				
Telephone:	Office Hours:			
Is the clinic staffed at all times?	[] Yes	[] No	
Is parking available?	[] Yes	[] No	
Is your office wheelchair assessable?	[] Yes	[] No	
Is a chaperone available if required?	[] Yes	[] No	

Are infection control processes in place? Are there clearly marked emergency exits?	[] Yes [] Yes		
Are there first aid kits available?	[]Yes		
Are there evacuation plans in place in case of emergency	? [] Yes	[] No	
Can you provide available dates for scheduling in adv	ance? []Yes	[] No	
Examination Types: [] Medical Legal [] File Revie	ws [] Addendums [] Direct IMEs	
For Medical Legal, do you prefer [] Plaintiff work	[] Defence work	[]Both	
Estimated Duration of Examinations:			
How many exams can you accommodate per day?			
What is your preferred start time?			
Please provide additional languages you speak:			
Are you comfortable to conduct IMEs in the language	s listed above? [] Y	es []No	
Appointment Confirmation:[] Send confirmation for each booking[] Send a weekly schedule			
Preferred Method of Correspondence? [] Telephon	ne [] Fax	[] Email	
Best way to schedule exams? [] via Evaluat	or [] via Assistan	t []Both	
Other, please specify:			
Do you require a chaperone for your examinations? [] All exams [] Female only [] N	Male only [] Upc	on request	
Telephone Conferences with the client may be require advise if you are willing to partake in these?	ed after the examinati	ion. Please [] No	
Have you ever gone to trial/mediation before?	[] Yes	[] No	
If yes, please indicate how many you have attended and specific case names.			
Have you been qualified as an expert in court?	[] Yes	[] No	

MEDICAL RECORDS

Medical documents should be sent to: [] via Eva	luator [] via Assistant [] Both		
Other, please specify:			
How do you prefer to receive medical records?			
[] via FTP[] via F[] via Secure Email[] via F			
How far in advance would you prefer to receive the	e medical records?		
[] Day of examination [] 1 week prior [] 2 weeks prior			
Address for sending medical documents (Binders, CDs, x-rays etc) - if different from above:			
INTAKE FORMS/QUESTIONNAIRES			

Do you have an Intake Form/Questionnaire? [] Yes [] No If yes, how many pages?			
Does it need to be completed by the examinee prior to the examination? [] Yes [] No			
How long does it take to complete the form/questionnaire?			
Are there other forms you would like us to keep on file? [] Yes [] No			
If yes, please list:			
(Please send a pdf or word copy of your form/questionnaire(s) for our records)			

IME REPORTS

The Reports Process is as follows:

- 1. Evaluators will dictate their opinions
- 2. Dictations are submitted to transcription
- 3. Transcription draft is received by NYRC and forwarded to the Evaluator for **first review and** edits
- 4. Upon review, edited drafts are sent to NYRC via email to: <u>reports.bc@nyrc.ca</u> as a MS Word document
- 5. The draft report is then **templated**
- 6. Templated reports then go through NYRC's **Quality Assurance (QA) process**. Suggested edits are highlighted in the Report
- 7. Final draft of report is then submitted to the Evaluator for **final approval or further edits**
- 8. NYRC receives Evaluator's approved final report as MS Word document and **report is sent** to client as PDF
- 9. Final copy of report is forwarded to the Evaluator for their records

*** Note: All reports are to be sent to NYRC and we will be responsible for sending them to the client. Evaluators <u>are not</u> to send reports directly to the client. ***

Communications with NYRC

Report drafts should be sent to: [] via Evaluator [] via Assistant [] Both

Other, please specify: _____

Dictation and Transcription

NYRC uses Expedite Transcription as well as a private transcriptionist for transcription services. Dictations can be submitted directly by phone or through NYRC at no cost to the Evaluator

Transcription Preferences (Please check one of the below options)

- □ I have my own transcription company and will send the report in MS Word format to NYRC
- □ I would like NYRC to coordinate my transcription services

Dictation Preferences (Please check one of the below options)

- □ I will require the use of a dictation machine while I am at NYRC
- □ I will dictate by phone directly to transcription
- □ I will email my dictation file to NYRC for transcription

Quality Assurance Process

I consent to NYRC making the following changes during the QA review process that I will review before submission to the client (Please check all options that apply):
 Template and reformat the report. Make basic spelling and grammar corrections in the report. Make suggested corrections and clarifications in the report for my final review and approval. Do not make any changes to the report – send all requests for changes for my consideration. Other (please specify):
Report Turnaround Time
Please indicate your average report turnaround time (from request to first draft):
Are you open to doing rush reports? [] Yes [] No
Scanned Signature for Reports:
Please sign in the space provided below. Your signature will be applied to your reports with the paragraph below.
"The signature on this report is stamped/scanned in order to assist with the preparation of a timely report. The evaluator is in agreement with the content of this report. The evaluator has provided authorization to utilize the stamped/scanned signature. This will be confirmed by the assessor by secure e-mail or in person."
If you would like further information about the reports process, please contact us at <u>reports.bc@nyrc.ca</u> or 778-372-1410 and we will be happy to address any of your questions or concerns.

BILLING INFORMATION

Please indicate fee expectations:			
Medical Legal IME:	Disability IME:		
Complex IME:	Addendum/File Reviews:		
IME Late Cancellation Period and Fee:	IME No Show Fee:		
Trial Fees:	Trial Late Cancellation Period and Fee:		
• Half Day:			
• Full Day:			
Hourly Fee for additional Time:			
Additional Fees:			
GST Number:			

EVALUATOR INVOICE PAYMENTS

Send all invoices to: finance.bc@nyrc.ca or fax to 778-372-1411 for prompt payment
Payment Preference:
 Cheque Payment Electronic Direct Deposit 1) Cheque Payment: For cheque payments please complete below information if different from above
Name:
Address:
City: Province: Postal Code:
2) Electronic Direct Deposit: For Electronic Direct Deposit please complete the <u>Electronic</u>

<u>Direct Deposit Authorization Form located on Page 8</u> of this document and email it to NYRC at <u>finance.bc@nyrc.ca</u> or fax to 778-372-1411.

Any other additional information that we need be aware of:

If you have any questions or queries concerning this form, please feel free to contact Matt Lau or Grace Ma at <u>inquiries.bc@nyrc.ca</u> or 778-372-1410

Thank you and we look forward to working with you!

NYRC Internal Use Only

Date Received: _____

Date Inputted: _____

ELECTRONIC DIRECT DEPOSIT AUTHORIZATION FORM

Vendor Contact Name: _____

Vendor Contact Address:

Vendor Email Address: _____

Please indicate if you are a:

□ Corporation

□ Individual

□ Proprietorship

For accuracy purposes please enclose with this form a VOID cheque. Remittance advice will be sent via email to the above email address unless indicated otherwise.

Any information collected here is confidential and is for the sole purpose of providing direct deposit services and will only be disclosed to regulatory bodies with appropriate lawful authority. Direct deposit service will remain in effect until written notice of cancellation is received by you via email to <u>finance.bc@nyrc.ca</u> or by letter to Suite 1385-1095 West Pender Street, Vancouver, BC, V6E 2M6

Signature

Date



NYRC PRIVACY POLICY Updated: May 2018

INTRODUCTION

NYRC is an independent medical examination and case management service company that provides independent objective assessments and case management services (hereinafter "Services") to the insurance, legal, medical and business communities. Assessments are conducted to determine the presence of impairments and/or disabilities and to provide recommendations to facilitate the person served's re-integration into work, society and daily living. We are dedicated to providing high quality, unbiased and objective reports.

ACCOUNTABILITY

NYRC will be responsible for all personal information (including but not limited to personal health information) in its possession or custody. We have a Chief Privacy Officer to ensure our compliance with all Provincial Privacy Acts, the Federal Privacy Act, and NYRC's own Privacy Policy.

Should we use third parties in the course of providing Services (such as, but not limited to, transportation, translation, or transcription companies), we will use contractual and any other reasonable means in the circumstances to ensure that transferring of personal information is afforded a comparable level of protection to that which we maintain or exceed industry standard.

IDENTIFY PURPOSES

NYRC will identify the purpose for which we collect personal information at or before the time of collection. All requests received for the provision of Services will be reviewed to ensure that their requests for information are compliant with PIPEDA and individual Provincial Privacy Acts, as applicable.

CONSENT

NYRC recognizes that the knowledge and consent of the individual are required for the collection, use, or disclosure of personal information and as such, except where inappropriate or where the law provides for an exception, will obtain the appropriate consent from individuals for the collection, use or disclosure of personal information.

While the specific personal information collected, used and disclosed will vary from circumstance to circumstance, it is common that highly confidential information such as clinical

notes and records from treating health practitioners will be collected in order to ensure that assessors contracted by NYRC in the course of providing Services have the necessary information to carry out their function, such as conducting independent medical examinations. As such, express consent – being a specific authorization given by the individual to NYRC – will be sought.

NYRC reserves the right to rely on any express consent contained in information provided by its referral sources which is used to seek consent, collect information, and inform the individual of the use that will be made of the information.

It is recognized that an individual may withdraw consent at any time, however the same is subject to legal or contractual restrictions and reasonable notice.

LIMITING COLLECTION

Any personal information collected will be limited to that which is necessary for the specific, legitimate purposes, as stated in "Identify Purposes" referred to above, except with the consent of the individual or as permitted by law.

We will only collect information by fair and lawful means and not by misleading or deceiving individuals about the purpose for which the information is being collected.

Our policies and procedures relating to the limitations on collection of personal information will be regularly communicated to our staff who deals with collection, use and disclosure of personal information.

LIMITING USE, DISCLOSURE, & RETENTION

Personal information will only be used and/or disclosed for the specific, legitimate purposes for which it is collected, as stated in "Identify Purposes" referred to above, except with the consent of the individual or as permitted by law.

We will only retain personal information as long as necessary for the fulfillment of those purposes or as required by law, including but not limited to a regulatory College for regulated health practitioners. Personal information that is no longer required to fulfill identified purposes will be destroyed, erased, or made anonymous in accordance with our policies on the same.

Please note that there may be situations where we use, disclose or retain personal information for legitimate purposes not identified to the individual to which the information pertains including those situations referred to in "Consent".

ACCURACY

Any personal information we collect will be as accurate, complete and up-to-date as necessary for its intended purposes. We will further attempt to ensure that any personal information is only in relation to the purpose for which it was collected.

If a significant error or omission is identified, we will correct or amend the information as necessary. Where possible, we will send such corrected or amended information to third parties who have had access to the information in question.

SAFEGUARDS

NYRC will safeguard all personal information under our control in a manner that is appropriate to the sensitivity of the information. We will take all the physical security measures necessary including properly locking our facilities and/or locking all personal information in secure filing areas, and securing all electronic storage devices.

All NYRC personnel are properly trained in the policies that pertain to these safeguards. No unauthorized access to our offices, including secure areas within our offices, is permitted.

No personal information, will be electronically transferred to our stakeholders unless the electronic files have been protected before being transferred. NYRC does not utilize non-registered mail options.

We will take the necessary precautions in the disposal or destruction of personal information, both hard copy and electronic, to prevent unauthorized parties from gaining access to such information.

Our policy and procedure on data confidentiality and security specifically details NYRC/KRA's security and administrative management of information with the aim of maintaining confidentiality and consistent information flow.

OPENNESS

We will make available to all individual requests, specific information about our procedures relating to the management and access of the personal information that is under our control.

In addition, we will make available to the public easily understandable information about our company's privacy policy and any other policy regarding the management of personal information.

INDIVIDUAL ACCESS

An individual upon request, except where provided by law, will be informed of the existence, use and disclosure of their personal information in our possession, and may be given access to their information. The individual may be permitted to challenge the accuracy and the completeness of that information and correct or amend information found to be deficient. Where appropriate, amended information will be sent to any third parties having access to the information.

NYRC shall respond to a request with due diligence and in any case not later than thirty days after receipt of the request, unless impractical to do so.

There are lawful exceptions that will prevent the individual from gaining access, which include, but are not limited to the following:

- The information was collected without consent for the purposes related to an investigation of a breach or an agreement or contravention of a law or other lawful exemption.
- The information is protected by solicitor-client privilege or, in civil law, by the professional secrecy of lawyers and notaries.
- Someone's life or security might be compromised.
- It was collected without the knowledge or consent of the individual as it was reasonable to believe that said knowledge or consent would compromise the availability or the accuracy of the information and the collection is reasonable for purposes related to investigating a breach of an agreement or a contravention of the laws of Canada or a province.
- The information was generated during the course of a formal dispute resolution process.

CHALLENGING COMPLIANCE

It is recognized by NYRC that an individual should be able to address a challenge concerning compliance with the principles to the designated individual or individuals accountable for the NYRC's compliance.

As such, should any individual wish to challenge our compliance of PIPEDA or any of the Provincial Privacy Acts, as applicable, they may contact the Chief Privacy Officer identified below.

We will investigate all requests and complaints and take appropriate measures to correct information handing processes and provide a response within a reasonable time period.

Grace Ma	Office of the Privacy Commissioner of	
Chief Privacy Officer	Canada	
NYRC	30, Victoria Street	
1095 West Pender Street, Suite 1385	Gatineau, Quebec K1A 1H3	
Vancouver, BC		
V6E 2M6	Telephone: 819-994-5444	
	Toll-free: 800-282-1376	
Telephone: 778-372-1410	Fax: 819-994-5424	
Fax: 778-372-1411	Website: www.priv.comm.gc.ca	
E-mail: grace@nyrc.ca	E-mail: info@privcom.gc.ca	

Office of the Information and Privacy	Information and Privacy Commissioner of	
Commissioner for British Columbia	Ontario	
PO Box 9038, Station Prov. Govt.	2 Bloor Street East, Suite 1400	
Victoria, BC V8W 9A4	Toronto, ON M2W 1A8	
Telephone: 604-660-2421	Telephone: 416-326-3333	
Toll Free: 800-663-7867	Toll Free: 800-387-0073	
Fax: 250-387-1696	Fax: 416-325-9195	
E-mail: info@oipc.bc.ca	E-mail: info@ipc.on.ca	
Office of the Information and Privacy	Office of the Information and Privacy	
Commissioners for Nova Scotia	Commissioner for Newfoundland	
1660 Hollis Street, Suite 1002	PO Box 13004, Station "A"	
Halifax, NS B3J 1V7	St. John's, NL A1B 3V8	
Telephone: 902-424-4684	Telephone: 709-729-6309	
Toll Free: 866-243-1564	Toll Free: 877-729-6309	
Fax: 902-424-8303	Fax: 709-729-6500	
E-mail: oipcns@novascotia.ca	E-mail: commissioner@oipc.nl.ca	
Office of the Information and Privacy	Office of the Information and Privacy	
Commissioners for New Brunswick	Commissioners for Prince Edward Island	
68 Regent Street, Suite 230	180 Richmond Street	
Fredericton, NB E3B 7H8	P.O. Box 2000,	
	Charlottetown, PE C1A 7N8	
Telephone: 506-453-5965		
Toll Free: 877-755-2811	Telephone: 902-368-4099	
Fax: 506-453-5963	Fax: 902-368-5947	
E-mail: access.info.privacy@gnb.ca	E-mail: karose@gov.pe.ca	
Office of the Information and Privacy	Office of the Information and Privacy	
Commissioners for Saskatchewan	Commissioners for Manitoba	
1801 Hamilton Street, Suite 503	500 Portage Avenue, Suite 750	
Regina, SK S4P 4B4	Winnipeg, MB R3C 3X1	
Telephone: 306-787-8350	Telephone: 204-982-9130	
Toll Free: 877-748-2298	Toll Free: 800-665-0531	
Fax: 306-798-1603	Fax: 204-942-7803	
E-mail: webmaster@oipc.sk.ca	E-mail: ombudsman@ombudsman.mb.ca	

This is to certify that I, ______ have read and agree to abide by the policy as set forth.

Signature

Date



LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

This Letter of Understanding is between NYRC and Health Professional:

Name:

Speciality:

PRINCIPLES:

- 1. This document sets out the mutual responsibilities of the two parties, NYRC and the Health Professional.
- 2. The terms of this document will remain in effect, unless either party terminates the said agreement in writing.
- 3. No employment contract exists between NYRC and the Health Professional
- 4. Client volumes are not guaranteed.
- 5. NYRC has Quality Assurance processes that ensure standardization and quality in report writing.
- 6. You are being asked to conduct assessments on behalf of NYRC and reports must be submitted to the referring source on NYRC letterhead.

THE HEALTH PROFESSIONAL AGREES:

- 1. That he/she will carry out their duties in a responsible, timely, professional and cost-effective manner.
- 2. That he/she is a member in good standing of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia or other governing bodies and provide proof of same.
- 3. That he/she has appropriate malpractice insurance coverage.
- 4. That he/she will notify NYRC of any complaints, disciplinary and/or malpractice actions against him/her.
- 5. That he/she will immediately notify NYRC of any change in their licensure or certification status.
- 6. That he/she will participate in Quality Improvement initiatives including attendance at roster meetings
- 7. That he/she will provide abide by all the Policies and Procedures of NYRC as they currently exist, are modified and/or developed (to be provided to evaluator).
- 8. That he/she will provide at least 30 days notice of any absence during the period of this understanding.
- 9. That he/she will review ICBC, WorksafeBC and other relevant websites to remain informed of current issues and continuing educational opportunities.
- 10. That he/she will provide a final report in accordance with our market driven timeline expectations. These are typically 10 business days for disability or employer cases and 15-20 business days for medical/legal files.
- 11. That he/she will notify NYRC immediately should a conflict of interest be identified.
- 12. That he/she will submit an invoice for services rendered within 10 business days upon completion of the report
- 13. That he/she agrees to his/her stamped/scanned signature to be affixed on the final report.

- 14. That he/she agrees to the following being inserted in the report:
 - "The signature on this report is stamped/scanned in order to assist with the preparation of a timely report. The evaluator is in agreement with the content of this report. The evaluator has provided authorization to utilize the stamped/scanned signature. This will be confirmed by the assessor by secure e-mail or in person."
- 15. That he/she will provide a copy of their updated Curriculum Vitae on a yearly basis.
- 16. That he/she shall keep NYRC informed of preferred and current method of communication, i.e., telephone, fax or e-mail, and shall respond to any and all communication from NYRC, and its employees in a timely manner within one business day of the communication.
- 17. That he/she shall respond to addendum requests on an as-needed basis within 3 business days.
- 18. That he/she has read the NYRC Privacy Policy and agrees to abide by it.
- 19. That he/she agrees to comply with all privacy regulations in performing the services including FIPPA and PIPA.

NYRC AGREES:

- 1. To provide assessment scheduling services, customer service support, file preparation and coordination, space for the conducting of assessments if required, mailing/courier services, photocopying, faxing, telephone long-distance, dictating/transcription/editing services associated with the provision of services to clients of NYRC.
- 2. To perform marketing, as well as to coordinate and organize regular meetings and professional development opportunities.
- 3. To provide invoicing and accounts receivable collection associated with the provision of services to clients of NYRC.
- 4. To pay the agreed upon fees within 30-45 days of receipt of report completion, the great majority of the time
- 5. To give more notice of cancellations when notified by the referral source.
- 6. To respond to all communications within 1-2 business days of receipt of that communication.

Health Professional

VP, Operations and Business Development

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Name (Printed) ______

Name (Printed) _____Grace Ma_____

Witness: _				
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Date:			