Tuscaloosa Pediatrics, PC
657 Helen Keller Blvd
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35404
Telephone 205-333-8222
Fax 205-333-8233

Transfer Request

Date: _____

Name of Child/Children/Date of Birth:

_____ _____

_____ _____

Are your child's immunizations up to date: _____ YES ____ NO

If not, why not?_____

Current Physician: _____

Reason you would like to transfer: _____

_____

_____

Please list all specialists or physicians that your child/children have seen or are seeing:

_____

_____

Please list all chronic medical problems:_____

_____

You will be responsible to pay for your visit at the time of service until we can verify your insurance.

Please be aware that our office does not accept all insurances. There are some insurance companies that have a Patient Panel that allow maximum number of patients. If our panel is full or you change to an insurance we do not accept you will be asked to find a new physician.

Please be aware that if you are a new patient and fail to show up for your 1st scheduled appointment without giving at least a 24 hour notice, you may be asked to find another medical office or physician for medical care.

_____ _____

Signature of Parent Date

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HIPAA Authorization for Release of Information

Patient Name: _____ _____ _____
First Middle Initial Last

Date of Birth: _____/_____/_____ Home Phone: _____/_____/_____

Address: _____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip Code:_____

I hereby authorize Tuscaloosa Pediatrics, P.C. to obtain my medical records from:

Name: _____

Street Address/P.O. Box: _____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip Code:_____

Telephone #:_____ Fax #:_____

Information to be released is to include: (Please circle Yes or No)

All Physician Notes	YES	NO
Treatment Summary	YES	NO
X-Ray Reports	YES	NO
Laboratory Reports	YES	NO
Itemized Bill	YES	NO

Other (Specify)_____

_____ _____
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature Date

_____ _____
Relationship to Patient Expiration Date of Release

I understand the information released will be limited to information necessary to fulfill the need or purpose for the disclosure. If I have authorized the disclosure of information to a recipient who is not subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), then the recipient may re-disclose it and it may no longer be protected under HIPAA, a federal privacy law. This Authorization is valid for 90 days from the date of signature. This Authorization only applies to treatment occurring before the date of signature, I may decline to sign this Authorization. I understand the patient's health care and the payment for the patient's health care will not be affected if I do not sign this form. I understand I may see and copy the information described on this form if I ask for it, and I may receive a copy of this form after I sign it. Before requesting medical record copies, please ask about the copy fee by law that may apply. I represent that I have the authority to and voluntarily grant permission for the information to be released as described above.

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Dear Parents,

In an effort to provide continuity for our patients, we are asking you to circle your first and second choice of physician when completing our demographic forms. We will make every attempt to make sure your child is scheduled with one of these physicians for all of his or her check-ups. We will ideally try to keep you with the same physician each time but in the event that particular physician is not available, we will try to put you with your second choice. If you desire to change and begin using a physician you did not originally schedule as a first or second choice, please let our front office know.

If you have a particular physician you would prefer for sick visits, it is best that you call and make an appointment with that physician. The walk-in clinic is staffed with different physicians each day. Patients are pulled back in order of arrival and then put with the next available physician. Therefore, we cannot guarantee you will see the physician of your choice when visiting the walk-in clinic. However, we are confident that any one of our physicians will provide good care to your child.

We are honored that you have chosen us to provide medical care for your child and hope this will help us to optimize that care.

Thank you,

Tuscaloosa Pediatrics, PC

Tuscaloosa Pediatrics, P.C.

__ Denise Brown, M.D.
__ Allison Cunningham, M.D.
__ Thomas Farmer, M.D.

Select 1st & 2nd Choice Physician

Megan McGiffert, M.D. ___
Michelle Parchman, M.D. ___
Julie Vaughn, M.D. ___

Account #: _____ Date: _____

Name you prefer we call your child: _____ Social Security #: _____

Last: _____ First: _____ Middle Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: Male_____ Female_____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Sibling: _____ DOB_____ Sibling: _____ DOB_____

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Ethnic Group: Hispanic Non Hispanic **Race:** Asian Black White Other_____

Language: Arabic English German Korean Spanish Other_____

Select one for Appointment Reminders: Text#: _____ **Phone#:** _____

Email: _____

Mother Stepmother Guardian

Name: _____
Cell Number: (_____)_____
Work Number: (_____)_____
Home Number: (_____)_____
E-mail Address: _____
Employer: _____
Occupation: _____
Social Security #: _____
Driver License/St.: _____
Marital Status: _____

Father Stepfather Guardian

Name: _____
Cell Number: (_____)_____
Work Number: (_____)_____
Home Number:(_____)_____
E-mail Address: _____
Employer: _____
Occupation: _____
Social Security #: _____
Driver License/St: _____
Marital Status: _____

Emergency Contact (other than parent): _____ Phone#: _____

Patient's cell phone number if age 14 years or older. (State of AL Age of Consent is 14)_____

Primary Insurance

Insurance Co: _____
Policy Holder: _____
Contract/ID#: _____
Group #: _____
Effective Date: _____
Relation to Child: _____
Policy Holder Date of Birth: _____

Secondary Insurance

Insurance Co: _____
Policy Holder: _____
Contract/ID#: _____
Group #: _____
Effective Date: _____
Relation to Child: _____
Policy Holder Date of Birth: _____

Does your insurance require a Primary Care Doctor or any type of Physician Referral?_____
Does your insurance require you to use a specific lab or x-ray facility? ___ If so, which one?_____

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Consent to Receive Cell Phone Calls or Text Messages

As a service to our clients we provide a courtesy appointment reminder call and possibly other important calls that may be placed using a pre-recorded message. By providing your cell phone you consent to receive such calls or text messages on your cell phone. If you do not want to be contacted in the above manner, please do not provide your cell phone number when you complete the Demographics information.

Parent/Patient Signature:_____

Date:_____

HIPAA Authorization Statement

(Please complete the following so we may contact you properly & securely)

Please list the family members or other persons, if any, whom we may inform about your child's general medial condition and diagnosis (including treatment, payment, and healthcare operations).

Name_____

Phone #_____

Name_____

Phone #_____

Please list the family members or significant others, if any, whom we may inform about your child's medical condition ONLY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY.

Name_____

Phone #_____

Name _____

Phone #_____

If you would like your billing statement and /or correspondence from our office to be sent to an address other than your home, please list below.

Name_____

Address_____

_____

Please list the telephone number(s) you could like to be contacted for appointment, lab and x-ray results, or other health care information if other than your home telephone number. (Please be aware that a cell phone is not a secure and private line).

Telephone #_____ **Telephone #**_____

Can confidential messages be left on your telephone answering machine? Yes No

Circle

_____

Patients Name (Please Print)

_____

Signature (Parent/guardian if under 18 years of age)

Tuscaloosa Pediatrics Vaccine Policy

We firmly believe in the effectiveness of vaccines to prevent serious illness and to save lives.

We firmly believe in the safety of the vaccines we provide.

We firmly believe that all children and adolescents should receive all of the recommended vaccines according to the schedule published by the Centers for Disease Control and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

We firmly believe, based on all the available literature, evidence, and current studies, that vaccines do not cause autism or other developmental disabilities. We firmly believe that thimerosal, a preservative that has been in vaccines for decades and remains in only a very few vaccines now, does not cause autism or other developmental disabilities.

We firmly believe that vaccinating children and adolescents may be the most important health-promoting intervention we provide to your child as their pediatrician. The recommended vaccines and the schedule by which they are given are the results of years and years of scientific study and data gathered on millions of children around the world by thousands of our brightest scientists and physicians.

This being said, we recognize that there has always been and will likely continue to be controversy surrounding vaccination. The vaccine campaign is truly a victim of its own success. It is precisely because vaccines are so effective at preventing illness that many people do not understand the severity of the illnesses we are trying to prevent. Because of vaccines, many people have never seen a child with polio, tetanus, whooping cough, bacterial meningitis, or even chickenpox. Less than a century ago these illnesses were commonplace and they caused the majority of early infant and childhood deaths. The success of vaccines has led our generation to complacency about vaccinating which can have tragic results.

Over the past two decades, many people in Europe chose not to vaccinate their children with the MMR vaccine due to a fraudulent study suggesting a link between the MMR vaccine and Autism Spectrum Disorder. This resulted in multiple outbreaks of measles in Europe. The results of this study have since been proven false multiple times by numerous follow-up studies. But these outbreaks still occur and they are not without complications including permanent neurologic deficits and several deaths. There is a fatal, progressive disorder called Subacute Sclerosing Panencephalitis that only occurs 7-10 years after a natural measles infection so consequences may be still to come from these outbreaks.

While Europe and these disease outbreaks may seem a long distance from us in the United States, they are really only a plane ride away. We have had our own outbreaks of measles, mumps, Hemophilus Influenza B meningitis, meningococcal meningitis, and whooping cough in the U.S. in the past few years. These cases have mainly occurred in unvaccinated babies, children, and even adults.

We are making sure you are aware of these facts not to scare or coerce you, but to emphasize the importance of vaccinating your child. We recognize that the decision to vaccinate your child may be a very emotional one for some parents. Should you have doubts, please discuss them with us. Please be advised, however, that delaying or "breaking up the vaccines" to give one or two at a time goes against expert recommendations, and it can put your child at risk for serious illness or death. This goes against our medical advice as physicians at Tuscaloosa Pediatrics.

Should you absolutely refuse to vaccinate your child, you will be asked to find another health care provider who shares your views.

We appreciate the trust you have put in us to care for your children. Thank you for reading this policy. Should you have any questions we will be happy to discuss them during your office visit. We have several handouts available regarding vaccines and the diseases they prevent. We also have links to reliable vaccine information sites on our website www.tuscaloosapeds.com and we encourage you to look closely at those.

Thank you,
The Physicians of Tuscaloosa Pediatrics

I, _____, have read the above Tuscaloosa Pediatrics Vaccine Policy and I plan to vaccinate my child according to the recommended vaccination schedule from the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Centers for Disease Control.

_____	_____	_____
Signature	Relationship to Patient	Date

Tuscaloosa Pediatrics Financial and Office Policies

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Please be aware our office does not accept all insurances. You may be asked to transfer out of the practice if you change to an insurance we do not accept or our Patient Panel is full at the time you make the insurance change.

All professional services rendered by Tuscaloosa Pediatrics, P.C. are charged to the patient. We will gladly file your insurance for you. However, the parent or guardian is responsible for all fees that are not covered by the insurance.

Payment is due at time services are rendered (such as co-pays, deductibles and non covered services) regardless of who brings the patient in for his/her visit. There will be a $10.00 administrative fee added to your account if your co-pay is not paid at the time of service. We accept cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover.

No well visits or immunizations will be given if you have an outstanding account balance or if you have not made prior arrangements for your account to be paid in full.

It is the patient's responsibility to know your insurance benefits and whether the physicians in this practice are preferred providers. Some insurance companies require referrals to specialists and urgent care facilities. It is your responsibility to notify our office within 48 hours if you are seeing or have seen another physician. Don't assume that referrals are done if you don't speak to someone in our insurance office, even if our physicians or nursing staff refer you.

We will not give referrals to urgent care facilities or emergency rooms if you go during our regular business hours unless approved in advance or it is considered a life-threatening emergency.

Most insurance companies allow 30-45 days for you to add your newborn to your insurance policy. We require you to pay for the visit in full for the 2 month check-up if we cannot verify your baby's enrollment before the visit.

We must have a release signed by a parent or guardian on file to release medical records. We request your account be paid in full in order to release your medical records if you are transferring your child/children to another physician. Accounts that are not paid in full or arrangements made to do so will be treated as a bad debt and will be forwarded to a collection agency.

There is a fee and a 72 hour waiting period on all medical forms, blue cards not associated with a check-up and medical record copying. Please check with the office staff in advance on the cost for each request.

There is a $10.00 fee for after hours telephone calls. Please read and follow our Telephone Policy to avoid unnecessary costs.

There will be a $40.00 No Show/Cancellation fee for failure to cancel your Well Check-up appointment 24 hours prior to the scheduled appointment time and 4 hours prior to sick or recheck appointment time. You could be asked to find another physician for repeat offences.

There is a $25.00 fee on all returned checks.

Agreement to Accept Financial Responsibility, Insurance Authorization and Assignment of Benefits

I acknowledge that, at my request, Tuscaloosa Pediatrics, P.C. has provided my dependent with professional services and I agree to the above financial policy. I also understand that if I fail to comply with this agreement, and if my account becomes more that 90 days past due, it may be turned over to a collection agency, an attorney or small claims court for collection. I understand the collection agency charges Tuscaloosa Pediatrics a 33 1/3% fee in an effort to collect outstanding balances. This fee will be added to my bill and become my responsibility.

I hereby authorize Drs. Brown, Cunningham, Farmer, McGiffert, Parchman and Vaughn to furnish medical information to my insurance carriers for payment of claims. I hereby assign to the physicians all payments for the medical services rendered to myself or my dependents. I understand that I am responsible for any amount not covered by insurance.

Communications Regarding My Account
Until my account is finally settled, I give my direct consent to receive communications regarding my account from any servicers and any collectors of my account, through various means such as 1) any cell or text number that I provide, 2) any email address that I provide, 3) auto dialer systems, 4) voicemail messages, and other forms of communications.

Signature	Relationship	Date

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Receipt of Privacy Practices Written Acknowledgement Form

I, _____ as parent or legal guardian of

_____ have received a copy of the 2014 Notice of Privacy
(Name of Child)

Practices Form from Tuscaloosa Pediatrics, P.C.

_____
(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

_____
(Date)

Initial History Questionnaire

Name

ID NUMBER

FORM COMPLETED BY

DATE COMPLETED

BIRTH DATE

AGE

M

Household

Please list all those living in the child's home.

Name	Relationship to child	Birth date	Health problems

Are there siblings not listed? If so, please list their names and ages and where they live. _____

If mother and father are not living together or if child does not live with parents, what is the child's custody status? _____

If one or both parents are not living in the home, how often does he/she see the parent/parents not in the home? _____

Birth History

Birth weight _____

Was the baby born at term? _____ Early? _____ Late? _____

If early, how many weeks' gestation? _____

Did mother have any illness or problem with her pregnancy?
☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

During pregnancy, did mother
Smoke ☐ Yes ☐ No Drink alcohol ☐ Yes ☐ No
Use drugs or medications ☐ Yes ☐ No
What _____ When _____

Was the delivery ☐ Vaginal? ☐ Cesarean?

If cesarean, why? _____

Did your baby have any problems right after birth?
☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Was initial feeding ☐ Breast? ☐ Bottle?

Did your baby go home with mother from the hospital?
☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

General

Do you consider your child to be in good health? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Does your child have any serious illness or medical condition? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Has your child had serious injuries or accidents? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Has your child had any surgery? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Has your child ever been hospitalized? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Is your child allergic to any medicines or drugs? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Development

Are you concerned about your child's physical development? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Are you concerned about your child's mental or emotional development? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

Are you concerned about your child's attention span? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

If your child is in school:

How is his/her behavior in school? _____

Has he/she failed or repeated a grade in school? _____

How is he/she doing in academic subjects? _____

Is he/she in special or resource classes? _____

Family History

Have any family members had the following:

Deafness	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Nasal allergies	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Asthma	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Tuberculosis	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Heart disease (before 50 years old)	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
High blood pressure (before 50 years old)	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
High cholesterol	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Anemia	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Bleeding disorder	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Liver disease	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Kidney disease	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Diabetes (before 50 years old)	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Bed-wetting (after 10 years old)	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Epilepsy or convulsions	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Alcohol abuse	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Drug abuse	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Mental illness	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Mental retardation	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____
Immune problems, HIV, or AIDS	☐ Yes	☐ No	Who _____	Comments _____

Additional family history _____

_____

_____

Past History

Does your child have, or has he/she ever had:

Chickenpox	☐ Yes	☐ No	When	_____
Frequent ear infections	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Problems with ears or hearing	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Nasal allergies	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Problems with eyes or vision	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Asthma, bronchitis, bronchiolitis, or pneumonia	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Any heart problem or heart murmur	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Anemia or bleeding problem	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Blood transfusion	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Frequent abdominal pain	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Constipation requiring doctor visits	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Bladder or kidney infection	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Bed-wetting (after 5 years old)	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
(For girls) Has she started her menstrual periods?	☐ Yes	☐ No	When	_____
(For girls) Are there problems with her periods?	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Any chronic or recurrent skin problem (acne, eczema, etc)	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Frequent headaches	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Convulsions or other neurologic problem	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Diabetes	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Thyroid or other endocrine problem	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Any other significant problem	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____
Use of alcohol or drugs	☐ Yes	☐ No	Explain	_____