

Welcome to Flatiron Allergy and Asthma Center.

We are a full service allergy, asthma & immunology clinic located in Louisville and are dedicated to providing the highest quality allergy & immunology care to our patients.

During your consultation, our physicians will obtain a detailed medical history, complete any allergy related testing (if indicated), and formulate an individualized treatment plan that best empowers you to feel confident about managing your allergic or immunologic disease.

In preparation for your consultation, we kindly request that you complete and bring with you the following information:

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<u>Demog</u>	graphics:
	Identification (Driver's License)
	Insurance Card
	Patient Registration Form
	Referral Letter (if required by insurance company)
	Co-pay/Payment (if required)
	Financial Policy Form
	HIPAA Acknowledgement Form
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	Completed New Patient Form
	Allergy Skin Test Consent Form
	Review the Preparation for Allergy Skin Test Form
	Office Records from the Referring Physician (if applicable)
	List of Current Medications and Medication Allergies
	Recent Chest X Rays and CT Sinus Reports/Films (if applicable)
We are	pleased that you have chosen us for your care and look forward to meeting you.
Sincere	ely,
The Sta	aff of Flatiron Allergy and Asthma Center



Pediatric Immunizations current: Yes/No

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<u>Family Medical History</u> (Parents, children, sibling		<u>Past Allergy Testing</u> :
Allergy		Never Tested Before
Angioedema (swelling)		Prior Skin Test: Yes/No - Year:
Asthma		Prior Allergy Shots: Yes/No - Year:
Drug Allergy		Currently on Allergy Shots: Yes/No
Eczema		•
Food Allergy		Date of Last Sinus CT Scan:
Hives		Date of Last Chest X-ray:
		Date of Last Lung Test:
<b>Environmental History</b>		
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Flooring: Hardwood/Carpeting/Other:		
Visible Mold or Water Damage? Yes/No		Mild/Moderate/Severe
Humidifier? Yes/No Setting: Air Pu		
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<b>Respiratory:</b> cough, respiratory infections, shortne		_
Gastrointestinal: abdominal pain, constipation, di	arrhea, difficult	y with swallowing, indigestion/heartburn, nausea,
or vomiting		
<b>Genitourinary:</b> frequency, infections, or urgency		
Musculoskeletal: limitation of motion, pain, or sw	elling	
<b>Skin:</b> dryness, eczema, hives, itching, or rash		
Neurologic/Psychiatric: anxiety, depression, or se	izures	

**Hematologic:** anemia, bleeding tendency, or previous transfusions and reactions **Allergic/Immunologic:** frequent infections, reactions to: foods/insects/medications/vaccines

Endocrine: diabetes, glandular problem/thyroid disorder, or intolerance to heat or cold



# PATIENT REGISTRATION FORM

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PATIENT/PARENT SIGNATURE or LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE



#### FINANCIAL POLICY

Please understand that our financial policies are established to assure the financial resources needed to maintain this medical office for all our patients.

- We must emphasize that as a health care provider our relationship is with you, not your insurance company.
- Your insurance is a contract between you, your employer, and the insurance company.
- Contact your insurance company and/or your employer's human resource department with regards to your benefit questions.

#### PATIENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **Insurance Card(s):** We require a copy of your current insurance card upon every visit. We require your signature and a current card with every antigen order also.
- Co-payments: Co-payments are due at time of service.
- **Referrals**: If your insurance requires a referral, and you do not provide one at the time of service, you are responsible for any charges incurred.
- Cancellations: For all appointments there is a 24 hour cancellation notice requirement.

There is a \$25.00 charge for repeated late shows, late cancels or no shows.

There is a \$50.00 charge for the same on each new patient appointment missed.

#### If you have health insurance with which we participate:

- We will bill your insurance claim for you.
- We expect any required copayment at time of service.
- We expect payment of deductible and coinsurance to be paid in full after we have issued you a statement to be paid within 25 days unless prior payment arrangements have been made.

# If you are uninsured or we do not participate with your insurance:

• We require you to sign an uninsured form.

I have read and accept the terms of this financial policy.

Payment for total charges is due in full on the day of your appointment unless you have signed a credit agreement with our
office.

#### General:

- Payment of services is due by the person accompanying any minor child unless other arrangements have been made in advance.
- We will not bill two people for care. It is the responsibility of the accompanying adult to pay the amount due in full, and collect what is owed by others.
- Any unpaid balance over 30 days is subject to a 2% interest charge. A rebilling fee of \$20.00 will also be added to unpaid balances over 30 days.

We accept payments in cash, check and credit (VISA, MASTERCARD, and DISCOVER). Post-dated checks are acceptable within 2 weeks and will be deposited on the check date. There will be a \$50.00 charge for returned checks. Accounts over 90 days are subject to collection proceedings and ultimately dismissal for full collection accounts.

I take responsibility for researching the costs of my visit and any procedures related to the visit with my insurance company and understand that the costs not covered by the insurance company will be charged to me. I understand that I can discuss any visit related charges ahead of the visit with Flatiron Allergy & Asthma Center's billing department at 303-862-3303.



## **Patient Consent Form for Allergy Skin Testing**

## **Purpose:**

Allergy skin testing is performed to assess for allergy antibodies to:

- environmental allergens (pollen, animal proteins, dust mite, mold, cockroach)
- food allergens
- insect venoms (honeybee, yellow jacket, yellow hornet, white faced hornet, paper wasp, fire ant)
- medications such as penicillin

#### **Procedure:**

Skin tests are methods of testing for allergic antibodies. A test consists of introducing small amounts of the suspected substance, or allergen, into the skin and noting the development of a positive reaction (which consists of a hive (swelling and redness). The results are read at 15 to 20 minutes after the application of the allergen. The skin test methods are:

#### Prick:

In prick allergy skin testing, a sharp plastic lancet is passed through the allergenic extract or control solution, the skin on the back or forearm is lifted and a small break in the epidermis is created through which the extract or solution penetrates. If an allergenic sensitivity is present, a hive/welt like reaction develops in the area of prick.

#### **Intradermal:**

Intradermal allergy skin testing is most commonly completed adjunctively to negative prick testing in evaluation of environmental, venom, and drug allergy. In intradermal skin testing, a small needle is used to inject the allergenic extract or control solution into a deeper layer of skin, called the dermis, on the arm. If an allergenic sensitivity is present, a hive/welt like reaction develops in the area of intradermal application.

## **Interpretation:**

Interpreting the clinical significance of skin tests requires skillful correlation of the test results with the patient's clinical history. Positive tests indicate the presence of allergic antibodies and are not necessarily correlated with clinical symptoms.

If you have a specific allergic sensitivity to one of the allergens, a red, raised, itchy bump (caused by histamine release into the skin) will appear on your skin within 15 to 20 minutes. These positive reactions will gradually disappear over a period of 30 to 60 minutes, and, typically, no treatment is necessary for this itchiness. Occasionally local swelling at a test site will begin 4 to 8 hours after the skin tests are applied, particularly at sites of intradermal testing. These reactions are not serious and will disappear over the next week or so.

### **Risks:**

Skin testing will be administered at this medical facility with a medical physician or other health care professional present since occasional reactions may require immediate therapy. These reactions may consist of any or all of the following symptoms: itchy eyes, nose, or throat; nasal congestion; runny nose; tightness in the throat or chest; increased wheezing; lightheadedness; faintness; nausea and vomiting; hives; generalized itching; and shock, the latter under extreme circumstances. Please let the physician and nurse know if you are pregnant or taking beta-blockers. Allergy skin testing may be postponed until after the pregnancy in the unlikely event of a reaction to the allergy testing and beta-blockers are medications they may make the treatment of the reaction to skin testing more difficult.

Please note that these reactions rarely occur but in the event a reaction would occur, the staff is fully trained and emergency equipment is available.

#### **Alternatives:**

Allergy skin testing is considered superior and less expensive than specific IgE blood tests in the diagnosis of allergy.

After skin testing, you will consult with your physician or other health care professional who will make further recommendations regarding your treatment

Please do not cancel your appointment since the time set aside for your skin test is exclusively yours for which special allergens may be prepared. If for any reason you need to change your skin test appointment, please give us at least 48 hours notice. Due to the length of time scheduled for skin testing, a last minute change results in a loss of valuable time that another patient might have utilized.

#### **Insurance:**

Unfortunately, we cannot know each patient's specific insurance plan, deductibles, co-insurance, etc. If you have questions or concerns about the potential cost of allergy skin testing, please ask the front desk or your insurance company prior to having the procedure performed. If a referral is required by your insurance company, it is your responsibility to obtain same prior to your procedure. If your insurance company denies skin testing charges for any reason (non-medical necessity, referral required, etc.), you will be responsible for the incurred charges.

I have read the patient information sheet on allergy skin testing and understand it. The opportunity has been provided for me to ask questions regarding the potential side effects of allergy skin testing and these questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I understand that every precaution consistent with the best medical practice will be carried out to protect me against such reactions.						
Patient	Date signed					
Parent or legal guardian**as parent or legal guardian, I understand that I must acc	_ Date signedcompany my child throughout the entire procedure and visit.					
Witness	_ Date signed					



# **Preparation for Allergy Skin Testing**

As part of your allergy consultation, allergy skin testing maybe indicated. The interpretation of these tests can be adversely affected by use of antihistamine medications and those medications with antihistaminic activity.

To best ensure a high quality allergy skin test, it is necessary to avoid the following medications as listed below:

- ✓ Please discontinue the following medications, as well as any over-the counter allergy & sinus medications for at least 5 days prior to your visit:
  - Alayert (Loratidine)
  - Alaway (Ketotifen)
  - Allegra (Fexofenadine)
  - Astepro (Azelastine)
  - Azelastine
  - Atarax (Hydroxyzine)
  - Chlortrimeton (Chlorpheniramine)

- Clarinex (Desloratidine)
- Claritin (Loratidine)
- Dimetapp (Brompheniramine)
- Dymista (Azelastine + Fluticasone)
- Nyquil (Doxylamine)
- Optivar (Azelastine)

- Patanase (Olopatadine)
- Tavist (Clemastine)
- Vistaril (Hydroxyzine)
- Xyzal (Levocetirizine)
- Zaditor (Ketotifen)
- Zyrtec (Cetirizine)
- Zyrtec Itchy Eyes (Ketotifen)
- ✓ Please discontinue the following medications for at least 2 days prior to your visit:
- Axid (Nizatidine)
- Benadryl (Diphenhydramine)
- Pepcid (Famotidine)
- Tagamet (Cimetidine)
- Zantac (Ranitidine)

The application of topical steroids to the forearms and back should be avoided for at least 2-3 weeks prior to your visit.

Medications such as benzodiazepines, tricyclic antidepressants, as well as other antidepressants may suppress responses to skin testing. If you are on these medications, please contact the prescribing physician and inquire if these medications can be safely stopped.

You can continue to take inhaled, nasal, and oral steroids without interfering with allergy skin testing.

Allergy skin tests are generally safe, but rarely life-threatening allergic reactions may occur. Symptoms of such reactions can include hives, swelling, breathing troubles, and low blood pressure.

Due to this risk, it is important that you let us know if you have a history of anaphylaxis, unstable asthma, are pregnant, and/or are on beta blockers, ACE inhibitors, or MAO inhibitors. Having these conditions, being pregnant, or being on these medications may make a rare allergic reaction to skin testing more severe and/or more difficult to treat.

# **Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice of Privacy Practices**

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Amanda Sanderson Tel: 303-862-3303 (Office)

I hereby acknowledge that I received a copy of this medical practice's Notice of Privacy Practices. I further acknowledge that a copy of the current notice will be posted in the reception area, and that a copy of any amended Notice of Privacy Practices will be available at each appointment.

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