

## General Insurance Information Form

Most patients ask on their first visit: “Will my insurance pay for the bariatric operation? This question is an individual one that pertains to each individual *insurance company and policy*. Every company has an exclusion section that explains what the company will or will not pay for. If your policy states that it excludes the surgical treatment of obesity, it will not pay for the Gastric Bypass surgery or lap band. It would be most helpful to us, if you would check on your policy before your first visit with us. Should you not have any insurance coverage, a self-pay option is available to you. If referral or authorization is required to see a specialist, it is your responsibility to obtain the required referral. It is your responsibility to obtain this prior to your appointment. If you do not obtain the required referral by your insurance, you will be responsible for paying the bill.

Before scheduling your first appointment at our center we will need to obtain a copy of your insurance card so that we can verify your benefits. We refer back to this many times during your care.

Any changes in your insurance coverage need to be brought to our attention as soon as possible.

I have read and understand the above information.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

**SARASOTA MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM  
COMPREHENSIVE BARIATRIC PROGRAM  
GENERAL INSURANCE INFORMATION**



<b><i>DON'T FORGET TO LABEL ALL COPIES. IF NO LABEL, MUST INDICATE PATIENT NAME, DATE OF BIRTH AND DOCTOR</i></b>
PATIENT NAME
DATE OF BIRTH
DOCTOR:
<b>PLACE PATIENT ID LABEL HERE</b>