

Cultural Competency:

State of New Jersey mandates that every physician documents any barrier to care including cultural and linguistic needs in the medical record. Factors affecting care are visual or auditory factors which may impede your ability to comprehend medical discussion and language, cultural and/or religious customs, which may impact the provider's ability to provide medical care. Addressing these needs will improve patient satisfaction and also decrease health care disparities.

Do you have any Impairment – (i.e. Visual, hearing speech, learning, physical and language/culture barrier)

What language do you speak, read or write? _____

Do you have any religious or culture customs that the doctor should know about? Yes No If yes, please describe _____

Advance Directives: For all patients 18 years and older:

Advance Directives is a federal and state mandated Self-Determination Act enacted in 1990. This allows you to provide specific instruction and direction regarding your own medical care wishes if you become incapacitated. The patient –physicians relationship provides a direct opportunity for you to discuss these types of decisions.

Do you have “Living Will” or Advances Directives? Yes No

Would you like to know more about a living will? Yes No

Social History: For all patients 12 years and older: Do you smoke Yes No If yes, how much do you smoke per day _____

Do you use street drugs? Yes No If yes, type and how often _____

Do you drink alcohol beverages? Yes No If yes, type and how often _____

Patient's Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____