

A Care Plan is Worth a Thousand Words

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Care Plan advantages for the patient

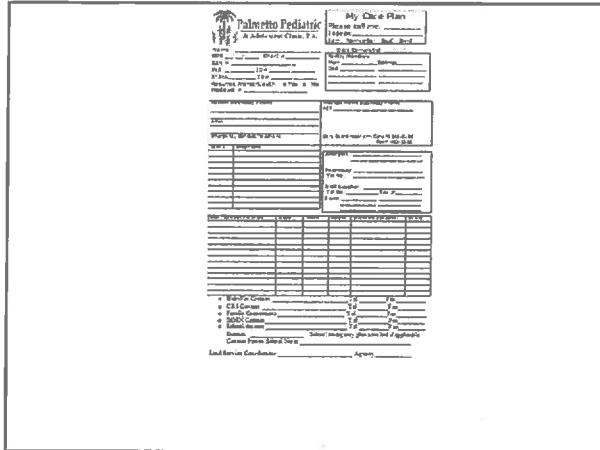
- Crucial information all in one location
- Specialists are able to stay up to date
- Therapists are able to stay up to date
- ER docs and hospitalists have information to make appropriate decisions

Care Plan Advantages for the primary pediatrician

- Contact information for specialists and therapists is available
- DME companies and pharmacies are identified
- Medication list is kept as up to date as possible

Elements of an Effective Care Plan

- All crucial information in one easily accessible location
- Contact information for all involved providers included
- Medication list including the prescribing MD
- Updated at an appropriate interval

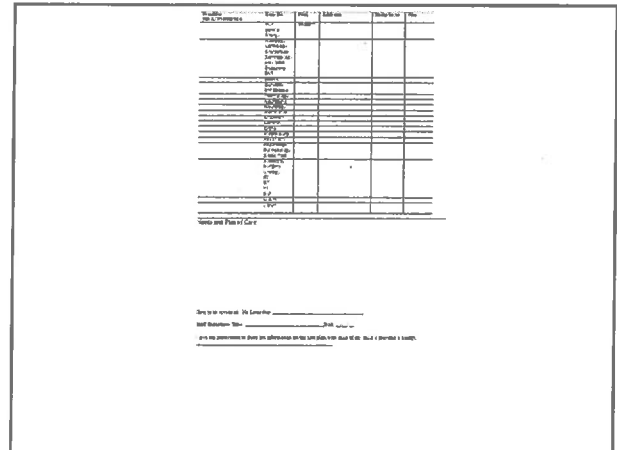


Palmetto Pediatric
My Care Plan
Please fill out this form for each child.

Child Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Parent Name: _____
 Parent Phone: _____
 Parent Email: _____

Medical History

Birth: _____
 Birth Weight: _____
 Birth Length: _____
 Birth Head Circumference: _____
 Apgar 1: _____ Apgar 5: _____
 Gestational Age: _____
 Complications: _____
 Allergies: _____
 Surgeries: _____
 Hospitalizations: _____
 Chronic Conditions: _____
 Immunizations: _____
 Current Medications: _____
 Family History: _____
 Lead Pediatrician: _____



Notes and Plan of Care

 Date: _____
 Signature: _____
 Title: _____

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- ### Barriers to an Effective Care Plan
- Staff time and effort (care coordinator) with significant cost to practice
 - Periodic updates required
 - Patient/ family must be invested in the process