

Authorization to disclose health information

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

Things to know before you begin

- Instructions for completing the form: complete all applicable areas of the form and sign below.
- If you are the Authorized Representative, include a copy of the legal document(s) authorizing you to act on the Claimant's behalf.



Your refusal to complete and sign this form may affect your eligibility for benefits under your critical illness insurance policy.

HIPAA: This Authorization has been carefully and specifically drafted to permit disclosure of health information consistent with the privacy rules adopted and subsequently amended by the United States Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

For purposes of determining my eligibility for Critical Illness benefits, the administration of my critical illness benefit plan, and the administration of other benefit plans in which I participate that may be affected by my eligibility for critical illness benefits, I permit the following disclosures of information about me to be made in the format requested, including by telephone, fax or mail:

- 1• **I permit:** any physician or other medical/treating practitioner, hospital, clinic, other medical related facility or service, insurer, employer, government agency, group policyholder, contractholder or benefit plan administrator to disclose to Metropolitan Life Insurance Company ("MetLife"), my employer in its capacity as administrator of its critical illness benefit plan, and any consumer reporting agencies, investigative agencies, attorneys, and independent claim administrators acting on MetLife's behalf, any and all information about my health, medical care, employment, and critical illness claim.
- 2• **I permit** MetLife and my employer (*if applicable*) to disclose in its capacity as administrator of its benefit plans any and all information about my health, medical care, employment, and critical illness claim.

This Authorization to Disclose Health Information specifically includes my permission to disclose my entire medical record, including medical information, records, test results, and data on: medical care or surgery; psychiatric or psychological medical records, but not psychotherapy notes; and alcohol or drug abuse including any data protected by Federal Regulations 42 CFR Part 2 or other applicable laws. Information concerning mental illness, HIV, AIDS, HIV related illnesses and sexually transmitted diseases or other serious communicable illnesses may be controlled by various laws and regulations. I consent to disclosure of such information, but only in accordance with laws and regulations as they apply to me. Information that may have been subject to privacy rules of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, once disclosed, may be subject to redisclosure by the recipient as permitted or required by law and may no longer be covered by those rules. Your health care provider may not condition your treatment on whether you sign this authorization. I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time by writing to MetLife Group Critical Illness at P.O. Box 6120, Scranton, PA 18505-9972, except to the extent that action has been taken in reliance on it. If I do not, it will be valid for 24 months from the date I sign this form or the duration of my claim for benefits, whichever period is shorter. A photocopy of this authorization is as valid as the original form and I have a right to receive a copy upon request.

SECTION 1: Name of Claimant or Authorized representative *(Please print)*

First name	Middle initial	Last name
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Date of birth *(mm/dd/yyyy)*

Sign Here	Signature of Insured or Authorized representative	Date <i>(mm/dd/yyyy)</i>
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If signed by Authorized representative, describe your authority and provide documentation

(e.g., guardian, conservator, power of attorney, etc.)

SECTION 2: How to submit this form

Mail:

Critical Illness Insurance Product
P.O. Box 6120
Scranton, PA 18505-9972

Toll Free Phone:

1-800-438-6388

Fax:

1-866-268-2621