



Making Northern Ireland Safer For Everyone Through Professional, Progressive Policing

**CONSENT TO RELEASE MEDICAL INFORMATION TO
THE POLICING BOARD'S SELECTED MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS**

NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

RANK: _____

FORCE NUMBER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

I **DO / DO NOT** * consent to the Medical Adviser, PSNI forwarding a medical report summarising my Occupational Health notes to the Policing Board's Selected Medical Practitioners.

I am aware of my rights under 'The Access to Personnel Files and Medical Reports (NI) Order, 1991', and have read the summary of them overleaf.

I **DO / DO NOT** * wish to have access to the medical report before it is supplied.

* [delete as appropriate please]

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____

THE ACCESS TO PERSONAL FILES AND MEDICAL REPORTS (NI) ORDER, 1991

This is a guide to your principal rights under the Act, which is concerned with reports provided to Employment or insurance purposes.

OPTION A You can withhold your consent to a report being provided. (A copy of the consent form **only** will be sent to the Policing Board's Selected Medical Practitioner).

OPTION B You give your consent, but wish to see the report before it is issued.

Your medical practitioner will be informed and will not supply the report until you have seen and approved it. If the medical practitioner has not heard from you in 21 days, he will assume you approve and provide a report.

When you see the report, if there is anything which you consider incorrect or misleading, you can request in writing the medical practitioner to amend the report, but he may not agree to do so. In this situation you can:-

- (i) withdraw consent for the report to be issued.
- (ii) ask the medical practitioner to attach to the report a statement from you giving your view (on the part you want amended only).
- (iii) agree to the report being issued unchanged.

The above will also apply if the medical practitioner declines to show you the report (or part of it) because he considers there are special circumstances which are described in Section 7 of the Order.

OPTION C You give your consent and do not wish to see the report before it is provided. You can change your mind about this, but obviously this must be before the report is disclosed by your doctor.