



Eastern Medical Associates, P.A.
Pulmonary, Neurological and General Adult Medical Care

Welcome to Our Practice!

Please take time to answer the questions in this new patient packet carefully and completely and sign your name in all appropriated places. This is the most important thing you can do to help us take care of you.

Please complete these forms in blue or black ink and either mail them back to 2609 Medical Office Place Goldsboro, NC 27534 or bring them with you the day of your appointment.

Following this letter, we have also included information about our practice to help you understand our privacy, medication and payment policies. If you have any questions about the forms or policies of the office, please feel free to contact us.

If you cannot keep an appointment, please remember to call our office at least 24 hours in advance so that time can be made available to other patients. Remember to bring all medications, insurance cards, valid photo ID and co-pay or deductible payments to each visit.

Thank you for choosing our practice for your care. We look forward to taking care of you.

ALL FORMS MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PATIENT UNLESS THERE IS A VALID MEDICAL REASON PREVENTING IT. POA AND/OR GUARDIAN PAPERWORK MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE OFFICE.

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"WE ARE HERE"

Eastern Medical
2669



Hospital
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Medical Office Place

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Immediate
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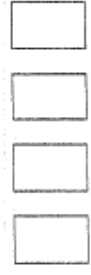


Country Day Road

Goshen Gastro /Motoparthly ENT



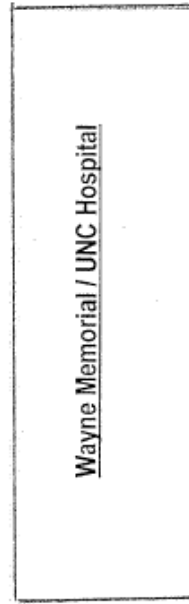
Wayne Rad Riccobene Wayne Heart Goldsboro Peds



HOSPITAL ROAD

WAYNE MEMORIAL DRIVE

Emergency Entrance



Wayne Memorial / UNC Hospital

Visitors

Eastern Medical Associates New Patient Information

(Failure to fill out application **completely** will delay processing your appointment.)

Name (first, middle and last):		
Date of Birth:	Social Security Number:	
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Primary Phone (THIS number will be used for ALL contact from us including appointment reminder calls):		
Secondary Phone (for emergencies only):		
E-mail:	(for Patient Portal access only)	
Race:		
Ethnicity: (please circle) Hispanic / Non-Hispanic / All Others		
Language: (please circle) English / Spanish / Other		
Marital Status: (please circle) Single/ Married/ Separated/ Divorced/ Widowed		
Current Primary Physician:		Previous Primary Physician (If recently changed):
Referring Physician (List only if seeing one of our Specialists):		
Name of Pharmacy:		
Location of Pharmacy:		
Employer Name, Address & Phone:		

EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Emergency Contact's Name:
Relationship To Patient:
Contact Phone:

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INSURANCE INFORMATION:

Do you have insurance? (please circle)

Yes – I have insurance

or

No – I am self-pay

PRIMARY INSURANCE:

Subscriber Name:
Subscriber Date Of Birth:
Relationship To Patient:
Insurance Name:
Policy Number:
Group Number:

SECONDARY INSURANCE: (If applicable)

Subscriber Name:
Subscriber Date Of Birth:
Relationship To Patient:
Insurance Name:
Policy Number:
Group Number:

TERTIARY INSURANCE: (If applicable)

Subscriber Name:
Subscriber Date Of Birth:
Relationship To Patient:
Insurance Name:
Policy Number:
Group Number:

I affirm the information I have given is correct to the best of my knowledge. I assign Eastern Medical Associates, P.A. all insurance benefits otherwise payable to me. I understand that I am responsible for payment of services rendered and also responsible for paying any copayment and deductible that my insurance does not cover. I hereby authorize EMA to release all information necessary to secure the payment of benefits. I authorize the use of this signature on all of my insurance submissions whether manual or electronic. I acknowledge receipt of the notice of privacy practices of EMA. I understand that the notice of privacy practices contains information on uses and disclosures of any personal health information and I have been given the opportunity to review the notice. I understand that the terms of the notice may change and that I will be given a revised notice if changes occur. I understand that I may request restrictions on the uses and disclosures of information for the purpose of treatment, payment or health care operations. I also understand that EMA is not required to agree to such requests, but if it does not agree, those restrictions are binding on Eastern Medical Associates, P.A.

Patient or Responsible Party Signature _____ **Date** _____

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Health/Personal History

(Failure to fill this out **completely** will delay in processing your appointment)

Patient Name:	Date Of Birth:
Do you have any children at home? (please circle) YES / NO If yes, how many? _____	
How many adults live in your home? _____	
Do you use caffeine? (please circle) YES / NO	
Have you ever abused prescription medications? (please circle) YES / NO	
If yes, what medication did you abuse? _____	
Is there anything else we should know about your medical history?	

WOMEN ONLY

Do you suspect you are pregnant?
Are you currently nursing?

TOBACCO USE: (please check)

- Current every day smoker How many per day? _____ For how many years? ____
- Current some days smoker How many per week? _____ For how many years? ____
- Former Smoker How many years did you use tobacco products? _____
- What year did you quit? _____
- Never a smoker
- Only uses smokeless tobacco

ALCOHOL USE: (please check)

- Never drinks Past drinker only
- Occasional drinker Current everyday drinker How many drinks per day? _

ILLEGAL DRUG USE /HISTORY: (please check)

- Have never used illegal drugs
- Currently uses illegal drugs What drugs are you using? _____
- Past Only What drugs did you use? _____ How many years? _____

I affirm that the above information is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and is only for use in my treatment, billing and processing of insurance for benefits for which I am entitled. I will not hold my medical provider or any member of his/her staff responsible for errors or omissions that I may have made in the completion of this form. In addition, by signing below, I consent to Eastern Medical Associates downloading any available prescription history in order to better assist in my personal care. I also authorize Eastern Medical Associates to order the performance of blood tests to determine the presence or absence of antibodies of HIV and HBV in my blood if a healthcare provider is directly exposed to my blood or bodily fluids in a manner which may transmit disease.

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PATIENT MEDICAL HISTORY CONTINUED.....

Circle **Yes** for any that apply:

Good general health Yes
 Recent weight change Yes
 Fever Yes
 Fatigue Yes
 Headaches Yes

EYES

Eye disease/Injury Yes
 Wear Glasses/contacts Yes
 Blurred/Double Vision Yes
 Glaucoma Yes

ENT

Hearing loss Yes
 Ringing in ears Yes
 Earaches/Drainage Yes
 Sinus problems Yes
 Nose bleeds Yes
 Mouth sores Yes
 Bleeding Gums Yes
 Bad Breath or bad taste Yes
 Sore throat/Voice changes Yes
 Swollen glands in neck Yes

CARDIOVASCULAR

Heart trouble Yes
 Chest Pains Yes
 Sudden heart beat changes Yes
 Swelling of feet, ankles/hands Yes

RESPIRATORY

Frequent coughing Yes
 Spitting up blood Yes
 Shortness of breath Yes
 Asthma or wheezing Yes

GASTROINTESTINAL

Loss of appetite Yes
 Change in bowel movements Yes
 Nausea or vomiting Yes
 Frequent diarrhea Yes
 Painful bowel movements Yes
 Constipation Yes
 Blood in stool Yes
 Stomach Yes

GENITOURINARY

Frequent urination Yes
 Burning/Painful urination Yes
 Blood in urine Yes
 Change of force when urinating Yes
 Incontinence or dragging Yes
 Kidney stones Yes
 Male- testicle pain Yes
 Female – pain w/periods Yes
 Female – irregular periods Yes
 Female - vaginal discharge Yes

Female - # pregnancies _____ # miscarriages _____

Date of last pap _____ Results of last pap - Normal Abnormal

MUSCULOSKELETAL

Joint pain Yes
 Joint stiffness or swelling Yes
 Weakness of muscles/joints Yes
 Muscle pain or cramps Yes
 Back pain Yes
 Cold Extremities Yes
 Difficulty walking Yes

SKIN

Rash/Itching Yes
 Change in Skin Color Yes
 Varicose veins Yes
 Breast pain Yes
 Breast lump Yes
 Breast discharge Yes

NEUROLOGICAL

Frequent/Recurring headaches Yes
 Light headed or dizzy Yes
 Convulsions or seizures Yes
 Numbness or tingling Yes
 Tremors Yes
 Paralysis Yes
 Stroke Yes

PSYCHIATRIC

Memory loss/Confusion Yes
 Nervousness Yes
 Depression Yes
 Sleep problems Yes

ENDOCRINE

Glandular/Hormone Problems Yes
 Thyroid disease Yes
 Excessive thirst or urination Yes
 Heat or Cold Intolerance Yes
 Dry skin Yes

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 Thyroid disease Yes
 Excessive thirst or urination Yes
 Heat or cold intolerance Yes
 Dry Skin Yes

HEMATOLOGICAL/LYMPHATIC

Slow to heal after cuts Yes
 Easily bruise Yes
 Anemia Yes
 Phlebitis Yes

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MEDICATION AND REFILL POLICY

WE REQUIRE THAT YOU BRING ALL OF YOUR CURRENT MEDICATION BOTTLES OR A DETAILED LIST TO EACH AND EVERY APPOINTMENT. THIS IS FOR YOUR SAFETY.

IMPORTANT: In order to keep thorough documentation and a consistent plan in place, you need to call your pharmacy to fax your refill requests to our office. This will ensure accuracy of prescription drug names, current dosing and timing of refills. **THIS IS THE FASTEST WAY TO GET YOUR MEDICATION**. If there is a **problem** with your refill, call our refill line at 919-734-1779 **Option 1****

- Be sure to leave **all** requested information in your message.
- **DO NOT** call in a refill at Eastern Medical if you have already requested it from your pharmacy.
- **DO NOT** leave refill requests on **ANY VOICEMAIL** other than the one designated on **OPTION 1**.
- **DO NOT** request an individual nurse's line or your doctor's nurse's line to request refills. The nurses are very busy all day long and this will slow down the response times and the refill process. If you have a question about a prescription, contact your pharmacist or leave a message on the refill line at **OPTION 1**.

You should **monitor your supply on hand** and always call ahead to **allow the pharmacy and our office at least 48 hours to process your request**. Duplicate calls will slow down our response time.

Medications including antibiotics for acute problems are not to be called in without the patient being seen first. To ensure your safety, quality of care, proper diagnosis and appropriate antibiotic usage, a provider must evaluate you.

If you are taking any controlled drugs (such as narcotic pain medication), you will be asked to sign a *Controlled Substance Agreement/Contract* to ensure proper prescribing and administration of these medications.

- For your safety, only your primary care provider will refill controlled drugs.
- Controlled medications will not be refilled after normal office hours.
- There are regulations on controlled medications that this office must follow.
- You are responsible for keeping these medications in a safe and secure place at all times.

You need to schedule and keep routine appointments with your primary care provider if you are on any health maintenance medications for conditions such as high blood pressure, diabetes etc. Your provider will make sure that you do not run out of your required medications if they are seeing you on a routine basis.

Thank you for your cooperation and working in partnership with your provider and your pharmacist.

Patient Signature _____ Date _____

Relationship to Patient _____

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Eastern Medical Associates Payment Policy

Payment is due at the time of service for any amount not usually covered by your insurance plan, **including co-payments and deductibles.**

If you are unable to pay in full, other arrangements **must** be made **prior** to the day of your appointment.

Monthly statements will be sent for any balance on your account for \$3.00 or more. Balances for less than \$3.00 may be collected at the next visit. Payment is due upon receipt of statement. If you are unable to pay in full, arrangements must be made with our Billing and Insurance Department. We encourage patients to contact that department at extension #219 should they have any questions or need arrangements.

Past Due Policy

If your account is past due, payment arrangements must be made before your next appointment. We **DO** use a collection agency to collect our past due accounts.

If no payment is received within 90 days and no arrangements have been made, an attempt will be made to contact you by phone and by letter. If this is unsuccessful and neither payment nor arrangements are made, the account will be placed for collection and no appointments or medications will be given until payment or arrangements have been made.

Returned Check Policy

Returned checks are subject to a \$25.00 service charge from this office and will be handled the same as above.

Patient Signature _____ **Date** _____

Or

Signature and Relationship _____ **Date** _____

(only if patient is unable to sign)

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E.M.A. Pulmonary, Neurological and general adult medical care

Due to the high volume of patients needing to be seen by the Specialists and Primary Care Providers at Eastern Medical Associates and the importance of attending all scheduled visits, our office has established the following guidelines regarding canceled, no show and late appointments:

Late Policy

1. Patients who arrive more than 5 minutes after their scheduled appointment time will be considered late.
2. Late appointments will be rescheduled for another date/time. Depending on the discretion of the provider, the volume of patients scheduled and the time of arrival, the provider may opt to “work” your appointment into the schedule.

Cancel/No Show Policy

1. Patients/guarantors must notify Eastern Medical Associates at 919-734-1779 within 24 hours of their scheduled appointment if they need to cancel and appointment. This allows the office to schedule another patient in that time slot.
2. Patients/guarantors who do not call within 24 hours of their scheduled appointment and/or fail to show up for a scheduled appointment will be considered a “no-show”.
3. Patients/guarantors with 3 or more “no-show” appointments within a 12 month period will receive a letter in the mail, informing of their discharge from the office due to excessive “no-shows”.
4. Patients/guarantors will be charged \$45.00 for each no show appointment. You will receive a statement in the mail. This fee will be due prior to you being seen in our clinic by any provider.
5. Patients/guarantors, it is YOUR responsibility to make sure contact information, including telephone number, address and emergency contact person, stay current and up to date at our office. If you have had any change at all please confirm your information is correct on your medical record.

Patient Portal

This is not mandatory for our patients, but is an optional service that we offer.

If you are interested in participating in the portal, please ask one of our staff members to assist with information about getting started.

You will be given a token number to use when enrolling. Please go to www.nextmd.com to enter your one time use token number once you have received it.

Should you have any issues enrolling or have further questions please call our office at 919-734-1779.

Patient Signature _____ **Date** _____

Or

Signature and Relationship _____ **Date** _____

(only if patient is unable to sign)

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Authorization to Release Information

- I authorize the medical and administrative staff of Eastern Medical Associates to release Any and All medical information including lab results, appointment information, medical records, insurance information, prescriptions and prescription information to the below list of people. I understand that I can change this list of people at any time by completing a new form and submitting it to EMA for my records.
- On the lines below, list the full names of **ANYONE you authorize** Eastern Medical Associates to recognize as **having your permission** to speak or be represent on your behalf. EMA will not release private medical information, forms or any other correspondence without your consent.

_____ Spouse

_____ Child

_____ Parent

_____ Other

**** This authorization is permanent unless updated with new signature and date. ****

In general, the HIPPA privacy rule gives individuals the right to request a restriction on the uses and disclosures of their protected health information (PHI). The individual is also provided the right to request confidential communications or that a communication of PHI made by alternative means, such as sending correspondence to the individual's office instead of the individual's home. The Privacy Rule generally requires healthcare providers to take reasonable steps to limit the use or disclosure of, and requests for PHI to the minimum necessary to accomplish the intended purpose. These provisions do not apply to uses or disclosures made pursuant to an authorization requested by the individual. Uses and disclosures for TPO (treatment, payment and health care operations) may be permitted without prior consent in an emergency.

Patient Signature _____ **Date** _____

Or

Signature and Relationship _____ **Date** _____

(only if patient is unable to sign)