



**Atlantic
NeuroSurgical
Specialists**

Brain, Spine and
Neurovascular Surgery

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Dear Patient,

You must fill out all of the attached forms prior to your first office appointment. We are providing these so you can complete them at your leisure. This will save time when you get to the office. You should have your insurance card in front of you when you are completing the forms.

When you come to our office, you will need to bring your films along with any/all reports, your insurance card and the completed forms that are attached. Also, we would like to remind you that your payment is due at the time of service.

If you need to cancel or reschedule your appointment, we would appreciate 24 hours advance notice. Also, if you have any other questions regarding the forms, feel free to contact us. We look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

The Physicians and Staff of Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists

WELCOME TO OUR PRACTICE

Welcome to Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists. It means a great deal to us that you have chosen us to serve as your professional neurosurgical specialists. We want to assure you that our doctors and staff will constantly strive to earn your continued confidence and satisfaction.

In order to provide you with the best medical care, we will need your comprehensive medical history. You can assist us, and save time during your first visit, by completing the enclosed medical history form in advance. Please bring these completed forms when you come to our office, and be prepared to spend at least one hour with us for your complete and thorough examination. Remember that our doctors sometimes have emergencies to deal with that may effect your appointment time or require that we reschedule.

Payment for your consultation is expected at the time of your visit, unless other arrangements have been made with our staff in advance of your appointment. Please make sure that you have your insurance card with you. If you have an insurance that requires an authorization or referral, you must have it with you at the time of the visit. Please understand that we do not participate in any HMO plans. This does not; by any means indicate that you cannot have a consultation with our doctors! It simply means that you will have to have an out of network referral from your Primary care physician in order to be reimbursed for your office visit. If surgery is indicated, we will work with you to get approval from the carrier. Regarding other insurances such as PPO plans or POS and traditional plans, we are more than happy to negotiate with them and work towards getting the best possible reimbursement for you. Please do not hesitate to talk to us about your insurance. For surgical cases, we will submit your insurance. We then wait 90 days for your claim to be paid. If they do not pay the claim within that 3 month period, then you will be responsible for any open balance. If you have financial problems that indicate your need to be on a payment plan, our billing department will work with you. We feel an obligation to tell each and every patient our financial policy before the services are provided in an effort to avoid any miscommunication later.

Having said this, please consider our experience and dedication to each and every one of our patients. Nothing is more important to us. We look forward to meeting you and your family.

Please visit our website before your appointment at: www.atlanticneurosurgical.com

ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS

I hereby authorize Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists to apply for Medicare/Medigap, and other health insurance benefits (if applicable No-Fault and Worker’s Compensation) on my behalf. I request that payment of all Medicare/Medigap and commercial insurance carriers be made directly to the Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists. I certify that the information I have reported with regard to my insurance carrier(s) is correct. I authorize the release of medical information and records about me to my health insurance carrier and HCFA (Health Care and Finance Administration) agents, and any and all other information needed to determine the benefits payable for related service(s). I hereby authorize payment of Medicare/Medigap AND/OR commercial insurance carrier benefits be made on my behalf to Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists. I release any holder of Medicare/Medigap information about me to my insurance carrier(s) necessary to determine benefits payable for related service(s). I hereby authorize this medical provider and its associates to provide treatment and/or examination and release any information pertinent to my case in the course of my examination or treatment to my physician, insurance company, claims adjuster, or attorney if applicable,

Signature of Patient or Guardian: _____

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

FINANCIAL POLICY/AGREEMENT

You will be responsible for payment of any and all services provided to you by the Physicians/ Nurse Practitioners/Registered Nurse First Assist at Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists regardless of your insurance coverage. If surgery is necessary, a claim will be submitted to your insurance company with the medical insurance information you have provided to Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists at the time of service and Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists will wait 3 months for the insurance carrier to make payment. **At the end of 3 months, you are responsible for the payment of the account in full.** You will be responsible for all co-payments, coinsurance and deductibles not met for the year as well as any non-covered services under your health plan. With the exception of payments which are payable at the time of service, you will be billed for any of the aforementioned fees and payment is due upon receipt of a billing statement. If the correct insurance information is not presented at the time of service, you will be responsible for the full amount of charges incurred. If you do not have medical insurance, financial agreements can be made prior to services rendered; otherwise, full payment is expected at the time of service. Atlantic Neurosurgical does not accept lien letters from attorneys in lieu of payment. We will attempt to resolve all past due balances amicably, but non-payment will be subject to the collection process after 3 months from the date of service. Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists is an independent private practice and our policies, procedures, and billing process is completely separate from all/any hospitals, surgical centers, facilities or entities. All charges other than Medicare or Medicaid will be submitted to your insurance carrier as an Out of Network provider. You further agree to relinquish all/any checks or correspondence that you receive from your insurance carrier to Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists within five (5) business days of receipt to properly reflect on your account. **Failure to comply will result in delinquent account and further collection actions. By signing below, you fully understand and agree to the above and take full financial responsibility for your account.**

Signature of Patient or Guardian: _____

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

PRIVACY NOTICE/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (HIPAA)

Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists assures each patient the safety of protecting their healthcare information. The plan is in a binder in the waiting area and is available for reading. This plan describes how Atlantic Neurosurgical assures the safety of my protected health information and explains my rights and their responsibilities to my privacy in regard to the medical care that I am seeking. I understand that I have the right to limit access of my protected health information at any time of service. Below I have listed the name of anyone that I would like denied access. I also understand that any questions that I have regarding my privacy can and will be answered by the Director of Operations. By signing this acknowledgement form, I agree to the Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists privacy policy as stated here and in their plan. In addition, I give Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists permission to leave voicemails on my home or cellular phone and use email if necessary in regard to appointment and scheduling.

Please state any specific requirements:

Signature of Patient or Guardian: _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____

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Health History Confidential

Name: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Age: ____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Date of last physical exam: ____/____/____

Reason for visit: _____

Primary Care Physician: _____

Primary Care Address: _____

How did you hear about our practice? _____

Please check all that apply

Review of Symptoms

General:

- Fever
- Chills
- Sweats
- Anorexia
- Fatigue
- Weight Loss
- Other _____

Eyes:

- Blurring
- Irritation
- Discharge
- Vision Loss
- Eye Pain
- Photophobia
- Double Vision
- Other _____

Ears/Nose/Throat:

- Earaches
- Ear Discharge
- Ringing in ears
- Decreased Hearing
- Nasal Congestion
- Nose Bleed
- Sore Throat
- Hoarseness
- Difficulty Swallowing
- Other _____

Cardiovascular:

- Chest Pain
- Palpitations
- Fainting
- Leg Swelling
- Other

Psychiatric: Depression
 Anxiety
 Memory Loss
 Paranoia
 Mental Disturbance
 Suicidal Ideations
 Hallucination
 Other _____

Endocrine: Cold intolerance
 Heat intolerance
 Increased appetite
 Increased urination
 Increased thirst
 Weight changes
 Other _____

Heme/Lymphatic: Abnormal bruising
 Bleeding
 Enlarged lymph nodes
 Other _____

Allergic/Immunologic: Seasonal Allergies
 Persistent Infections
 HIV Exposure
 Other _____

Women Only: Abnormal Pap smear
 Bleeding between periods
 Breast Lumps
 Extreme Menstrual Pain
 Hot Flashes
 Nipple Discharge
 Painful Intercourse
 Vaginal Discharge
 Other _____

Date of last Menstrual Period ___/___/____ **Date of last Pap Smear** ___/___/____

Have you had a Mammogram? Y / N

Are you Pregnant? Y / N

Family History

Please check and circle **ONLY** those that Apply

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|---|--------|--------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Disease | Mother | Father | Sibling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hypertension | Mother | Father | Sibling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes | Mother | Father | Sibling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke | Mother | Father | Sibling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hyperlipidemia
(High Cholesterol) | Mother | Father | Sibling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hematologic
(Bleeding) | Mother | Father | Sibling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer | Mother | Father | Sibling |

Type of Cancer _____

Social History

Please check and circle **ONLY** those that apply

Marital Status Single Married Divorced Widowed

Number of Children: _____

Type of Employment _____

Litigation Pending Yes No

Handedness Right Left Ambidextrous

Caffeine Intake: Coffee # of cups per day _____

Tea # of cups per day _____

Soda # of cups per day _____

Other _____

Alcohol Use: Yes or No Beer / Wine /Hard Liquor # per day _____ or #per week _____

Tobacco Use: Yes or No Pipe / Cigars / Cigarettes # packs per day _____ # of yrs quit _____

Drug Use: Yes or No Drug Type: _____ Date last used: ___/___/___

HIV Tested _____ date _____ result _____

Exercise: Sedentary Mild Exercise Occasional Vigorous Exercise

Regular Vigorous Exercise

Directions to:

Atlantic Neurosurgical Specialists
Corner of (310) Madison Avenue & Punch Bowl Road
Morristown, NJ 07960
Phone: (973) 285-7800

From the Garden State Parkway: (North & South) Take the Parkway to Route 78 West, which is near the Union toll. Follow Rt. 78 West (stay in local lane). Get onto Route 24 West. Follow Rt. 24 West to exit 2A (Morristown), which will pull you onto Columbia Turnpike. At the traffic light, turn left onto Park Avenue. Go to the second light and turn right onto Punch Bowl Road. We are at the end of Punch Bowl Road on the left side of the street (black glass building, #310). This is the corner of Punch Bowl Road and Madison Avenue.

From Route 287: (North & South) Take Route 287 to Exit 35 (Madison Avenue). Follow the signs "H" to Morristown Memorial Hospital. You will be on Madison Avenue heading towards Madison. Go past the hospital and follow Madison Avenue for about one mile. You will pass Friendly's Restaurant on your left and Jersey Central Power & Light. Turn left onto Punch Bowl Road. We are the first (black glass) building on the corner (#310).

From Route 80: Follow Route 80 East or West to Route 287 and proceed as above.

From Summit, Chatham, and local towns: Take Main Street in Chatham through Main Street in Madison. Main Street turns into Park Avenue. Keep going past Verizon, past the Hamilton Park Conference Center, to the light at Punch Bowl Road. Make a left on to Punch Bowl and we are at the end of Punch Bowl Road on the left side of the street.

OR You can follow Main Street to Madison Avenue, and we are about half a mile past the Madison Hotel and Rod's Steakhouse. (#310 on your right, black glass building).

Parking:

You may park in the front of the building. Come in the front doors and walk straight ahead to the elevators which are on your left. Take the elevators to the second floor. You may also park under the building and enter through the glass doors, taking the elevators to the second floor.