

Option 2 Venue Consent Form: for practices that operate and/or provide care within counties such as Philadelphia/Allegheny, but also does so within more favorable counties

FRONT DESK TALKING POINTS: [Internal Only]

- We have an updated form for you to read and sign.
- If you receive questions:
 - **Do I have to sign this form?**
 - We require patients to sign this form to be treated here.
 - ***[Note to staff: If the patient refuses, consult your practice administrator and/or the patient's physician about what to do. The practice, at a minimum, should allow the patient to be seen that day and then consider whether the practice desires to follow normal patient termination procedures.]***
 - **What does this form do?**
 - This form does not stop your ability to sue the practice.
 - The form requires that any suit be brought in a county in which we provide medical care that is different than [Philadelphia/Allegheny] county.
 - **Why do you want me to sign this form?**
 - Due to changes the Pennsylvania Supreme Court made to rules about medical malpractice suits and where they may be filed, we are trying to limit likely cost increases to the practice by making certain when it comes to where the practice and its providers may be sued.

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