## INFORMED CONSENT FOR MEDICATION

Dosage and / or Side Effect information last revised on 07/01/15

Completion of this form is voluntary. If not completed, the medication cannot be administered without a court order unless in an emergency. This consent is maintained in the client’s record and is accessible to authorized users.

### MEDICATION CATEGORY

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<th>RECOMMENDED DAILY TOTAL DOSAGE RANGE</th>
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<td>Antidepressant (tricyclic)</td>
<td>Vivactil(protriptyline)</td>
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The anticipated dosage range is to be individualized, may be above or below the recommended range but no medication will be administered without your informed and written consent.

Recommended daily total dosage range of manufacturer, as stated in Physician’s Desk Reference (PDR) or another standard reference.

This medication will be administered [ ] Orally [ ] Injection [ ] Other – Specify:

1. **Reason for Use of Psychotropic Medication and Benefits Expected (note if this is ‘Off Label’ Use)**
   - Include DSM 5 diagnosis or the diagnostic “working hypothesis.”

2. **Alternative mode(s) of treatment other than or in addition to medications include**
   - Some of these would be applicable only in an inpatient environment.
   - [ ] -Environment and / or staff changes
   - [ ] -Positive redirection and staff interaction
   - [ ] -Individual and / or group therapy
   - [ ] -Rehabilitation treatments / therapy (OT, PT, AT)
   - [ ] -Treatment programs and approaches (habilitation)
   - [ ] -Use of behavior intervention techniques

   **Other Alternatives:**

3. **Probable consequences of NOT receiving the proposed medication are**
   - Impairment of [ ] -Work Activities [ ] -Family Relationships [ ] -Social Functioning
   - Possible increase in symptoms leading to potential
   - [ ] -Use of seclusion or restraints
   - [ ] -Limits on access to possessions
   - [ ] -Limits on personal freedoms
   - [ ] -Limit participation in treatment and activities
   - [ ] -Limits on recreation and leisure activities
   - [ ] -Intervention of law enforcement authorities
   - [ ] -Risk of harm to self or others

   **Other consequences**

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**Note:** These consequences may vary, depending upon whether or not the individual is in an inpatient setting. It is also possible that in unusual situations, little or no adverse consequences may occur if the medications are not administered.

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continued – Possible side effects, warnings and cautions associated with this medication.

The most common side effects include: dizziness; drowsiness; dryness of mouth; headache; increased appetite (may include craving for sweets); nausea; tiredness or weakness (mild); unpleasant taste; weight gain; trouble in sleeping especially when taken late in the day.

Check with your doctor as soon as possible if any of the following side effects occur: blurred vision; confusion or delirium; constipation (especially in the elderly); decreased sexual ability; difficulty in speaking or swallowing; eye pain; fainting; fast or irregular heartbeat (pounding, racing, skipping); hallucinations; loss of balance control; mask-like face; nervousness or restlessness; problems in urinating; shakiness or trembling; shuffling walk; slow movement; stiffness of arms and legs.

Other less common side effects include: diarrhea; heartburn; increased sweating; vomiting.

Although rare, check with your physician immediately if the following occur: anxiety; breast enlargement in both males and females; hair loss; inappropriate secretion of milk—in females; increased sensitivity to sunlight; irritability; muscle twitching; red or brownish spots on skin; ringing, buzzing, or other unexplained sounds in the ears; seizures; skin rash and itching; sore throat and fever; swelling of face and tongue; swelling of testicles; trouble with teeth or gums; weakness; yellow eyes or skin.

This medicine may cause some people to become drowsy. If this occurs, do not drive, use machines, or do anything else that could be dangerous if you are not alert.

Dizziness, lightheadedness, or fainting may occur, especially when you get up from a lying or sitting position. Getting up slowly may help. If this problem continues or gets worse, check with your doctor.

Tricyclic antidepressants may cause your skin to be more sensitive to sunlight than it is normally. Stay out of direct sunlight, do not use a sunlamp or tanning bed or booth. If you have a severe reaction from the sun, check with your doctor.

Before having any kind of surgery, dental treatment, or emergency treatment, tell the medical doctor or dentist in charge that you are using this medicine.

BLACK BOX WARNING

Suicidal and Antidepressant Drugs: Antidepressants increased the risk compared to placebo of suicidal thinking and behavior (suicidality) in short term studies in children, adolescents, and young adults with major depressive disorder (MDD) and other psychiatric disorders. Anyone considering the use of this drug or any other antidepressant in a child, adolescent, or young adult must balance this risk with the clinical need. Short term studies did not show an increase in the risk of suicidality with antidepressants compared to placebo in adults beyond age 24; there was a reduction in risk with antidepressants compared to placebo in adults aged 65 and older. Depression and certain other psychiatric disorders are themselves associated with increases in the risk of suicide. Patients of all ages who are started on therapy should be monitored appropriately and observed closely for clinical worsening, suicidality, or unusual changes in behavior. Families and caregivers should be advised of the need for close observation and communication with the prescriber. This drug is not approved for use in pediatric patients.

MONITORING RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO BLACK BOX DATA—Close observation for suicidal thinking or unusual changes in behavior.

See PDR for all-inclusive list of side effects.

By my signature below, I GIVE consent for the named medication on Page 1 and anticipated dosage range. My signature also indicates that I understand the following:

1. I can refuse to give consent or can withdraw my consent at any time with written notification to the institution director or designee. This will not affect my right to change my decision at a later date. If I withdraw consent after a medication is started, I realize that the medication may not be discontinued immediately. Rather it will be tapered as rapidly as medically safe and then discontinued so as to prevent an adverse medical consequence, such as seizures, due to rapid medication withdrawal.

2. Questions regarding this medication can be discussed with the Interdisciplinary Team, including the physician. The staff contact person can assist in making any necessary arrangements.

3. Questions regarding any behavior support plan or behavior intervention plan, which correspond with the use of the medication, can be directed to the client’s social worker, case manager or psychologist.

4. I have the right to request a review at any time of my record, pursuant to § 51.30(4)(d) or § 51.30(5)(b).

5. I have a legal right to file a complaint if I feel that client rights have been inappropriately restricted. The client’s social worker, case manager or agency / facility client rights specialist may be contacted for assistance.

6. My consent permits the dose to be changed within the anticipated dosage range without signing another consent.

7. I understand the reasons for the use of the medication, its potential risks and benefits, other alternative treatment(s) and the probable consequences, which may occur if the proposed medication is not given. I have been given adequate time to study the information and find the information to be specific, accurate and complete.

8. This medication consent is for a period effective immediately and not to exceed fifteen (15) months from the date of my signature. The need for and continued use of this medication will be reviewed at least quarterly by the Interdisciplinary Team. The goal, on behalf of the client, will be to arrive at and maintain the client at the minimum effective dose.
## SIGNATURES

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### Client / Parent of Minor / Guardian (POA-HC) Comments

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### As parent/guardian (POA-HC) was not available for signature, he/she was verbally informed of the information in this consent.

### Verbal Consent

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