

Fax# 250.519.1837

□ Nanaimo Regional General Hospital Site Fax# 250.739-5989

 Interventionalist will treat only one area of pain per referral. <u>Please DO NOT refer to more than one Pain Specialist!</u> New referral must be submitted for <u>each</u> diagnosis. 									
	int: See Page 2	2 for	' Inc	lusion & Exclusion		ria. * * v Patien		roforr	
Date:									aı
Patient Name:		_ (Please	e Print clea	arly or attach	label)				
Address:									
				Personal Health Numbe	-				
Daytime Phone:	Cell Phone:			E-mail Address: : Phone: Fax:					
Referring Physician:	nt Name	N	ISP#:	Phone:			_ Fax:		
Primary Care Physician: YES:			ISP#	Phone:			Fax:		
Please Pri NO:	nt Name			Phone:			Fax:		
Please ide		ic patie	ent atte	nds. (Patient must attend ON	E CLINIC ON	NLY.)	_ T dA		
AREA OF PAIN FOR TREATMENT (CIR	<u>vill not be proce</u> ving to the pain problem problem?	2. 3. Pai	(No Whe (*i.e Activ	a patient for Group I diagnostics needed. an did pain* first begin? . duration or date of inju- ve 3 rd Party patient? WCB □ ICBC Claim # Is any legal action penders a will be returne 5. Is this patient able exercise program 6. Is the patient aware willing to undergo int 7. Is the patient work □Full-time □ Part	ury – IMPC Ury – IMPC Oth ding related to participation of and agree erventional five sing? If Ye	PRTANT!) er I to the pai to the pai to the pai ate in a lig ym settings eable to this treatment if es:	n problem? hen shred ht-moderate s? s referral and applicable?	Y	/ N / N / N
 Does the patient have poorly controlled psychopathology* (psychosis, suicidal etc.)? * See exclusion criteria on Page 2. 					ney stop because of this pain? they stop working?				
abuse/addiction?	Does the patient have untreated/ongoing substance abuse/addiction?			9. Does the patient h disease (Hepatitis	nave a significant communicable , HIV, TB, etc.)?				
DIAGNOSTIC TESTS (Tests must be completed prior to accepting referral.)	Tests requir	ed		How Recent	Attached	EHR	FOR OFFIC	EUSEO	NLY
1. All spinal pain	Plain X-Ray and CBC		< 12 months						
2. All patients over 60 years old with chronic spinal pain	Nuclear med bone scan of pain area		 < 12 months Following onset of pain or change in symptoms 						
3. History of a significant malignancy, indolent	Nuclear med bone scan of pain area		< 6 months]			
infection, or immunosuppression4. Radicular pain radiating down a limb	CT or MRI New scan required if pt. has had surgery for problem but pain persists.			 Following onset of pain or change in symptoms Scan may be > 18 mos. <u>if</u> <u>symptoms unchanged</u> & pt. has not had surgery. 					
5. All patients referred for Chronic Headaches	CT or MRI head X-ray Cervical spine Neurological Assessment *		< 12 months for all * Please include Neurologist consult with referral.						
PLEASE ATTACH TO COMPLETE REFER 1. Complete current medication list in					over-the-e				

- All pertinent scans (CT, MRI, X-ray, and bone scans) unless indicated that they are on PowerChart All pertinent consults from other physicians including surgical reports 2.
- 3.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

- This is an Interdisciplinary Pain Management Program for clients requiring treatment of severe pain, unresponsive to conventional treatment.
- Literature supports education for patients with chronic pain. All patients should participate in an introductory program orientation.
 - Disciplines specific to pain management include:
 - ♦ Anesthesiologists trained in interventional pain management techniques
 - ♦ ENT Pain Specialist
 - ♦ Neurology
 - ♦ Pharmacy
 - ♦ Psychiatry
 - ♦ Psychology
 - ♦ Physiotherapy
 - ♦ Occupational therapy
 - ♦ Nursing
 - ♦ Social Work
- Consults/visits can include individualized appointments and/or group sessions.

See program website links "For Health Professionals" and "Links and Resources" for valuable pain management information.

INCLUSION GUIDELINES:

- Patient <u>must have a family physician or a regular walk-in</u> clinic that will provide follow up care and medication renewal.
- Patient is unresponsive to conventional treatment.
- All appropriate initial investigations have been performed.
- Physician(s) agree to participate with suggested regimen of therapy.
- Patient and/or caregiver are cognitively capable and willing to participate with suggested regimen of therapy.

EXCLUSION GUIDELINES:

- Patient has an orthopedic condition and is awaiting surgical intervention.
- Patient is hemodynamically unstable or suffers from other medical conditions requiring inpatient care and monitoring.
- Patient has an ongoing infection source without appropriate antimicrobial therapy.
- Patient has an infection that constitutes significant hazard to medical personnel and other patients.
- Patient has an untreated/uncontrolled addiction to controlled substances.
- Patient has an uncontrolled mental illness, leaving them unable to comply with pain management regimen.

PAIN PROGRAM WEBSITE:	http://www.viha.ca/pain_program				
PAIN PROGRAM EMAIL ADDRESSES:	RJHPainClinic@viha.ca For general inquiries only. NRGHPainClinic@viha.ca NO URGENT CONCERNS PLEASE.				
PAIN PROGRAM CONTACT NUMBERS:	RJH Clinical Site, Memorial Pavilion:	Tel: (250) 519-1836 Fax: (250) 519-1837			
	NRGH Clinical Site:	Tel: (250) 739-5978 Fax: (250) 739-5989			
CHRONIC PAIN COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICE:	Comox Valley Nursing Centre:	Tel: (250) 331-8502 Fax: (250) 331-8503			

WHEN POSSIBLE, PLEASE SEND REFERRALS THROUGH INTER-HOSPITAL MAIL.

Please tell patients NOT to call the Pain Program. We will contact them when they have been approved through the referral process.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.