

# **Treatment Consent Form**

The purpose of this form is to obtain/confirm your informed consent for treatment if your doctor prescribes medical cannabis treatment for your condition.

Informed consent is a person's decision, given voluntarily, to agree to a healthcare treatment, procedure, or other intervention that is made:

Following the provision of accurate and relevant information about the healthcare intervention and alternate options available; and

With adequate knowledge and understanding of the benefits and material risks of the proposed intervention relevant to the person who would be having the treatment, procedure or other intervention. (Reference: Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care.)

Please review the following statements regarding your treatment so that you are able to provide informed consent.

### Medication interaction

I understand that medicinal cannabis might interact with my other medications, and doses may need to be adjusted accordingly. I agree to notify my prescribing doctor of any changes in my other medications, and that I will not use any form of cannabis other than that prescribed, including any illicit form of cannabis (marijuana).

#### Side-effects

I understand the risks associated with medicinal cannabis treatment and that the potential long-term side-effects are unknown. I agree to report any adverse effects I experience from taking medicinal cannabis, including but not limited to changes in the levels of sedation, fatigue, dry mouth, nausea, diarrhoea, and drowsiness.

#### **Unregistered Medicine**

I understand that medicinal cannabis is an unregistered medicine in Australia and that its quality, safety, and efficacy have not been assessed by the Australian government's Therapeutic Goods Administration. I agree that the prescribing doctor will report my treatment outcomes to the government.

#### Cost

I understand that the cost of medicinal cannabis is solely my responsibility.

## Driving

I understand that I must not drive or operate heavy machinery whilst taking medicinal cannabis containing THC. If I drive under these circumstances, I am breaking the law and a legally issued prescription does not provide a defence to such an offence.

## Monitoring

I agree to follow my doctor's recommendation regarding dosing and to attend regular follow-up consultations as directed by my doctor. I agree to keep a log of my doses and changes in symptoms due to medicinal cannabis, and understand that my clinical outcomes may be shared for research purposes. After having read this information, if you choose to continue through to booking you affirm that you are providing your informed consent for treatment.