Informed Parental Consent to Physiotherapy Treatment

**Consent must be given for the treatment of children under 16 years old by either:**

• the child’s parents if married to each other at the time of conception or birth;

• the child’s mother, but not father if they were not so married unless the father has acquired parental

 responsibility via a court order or a parental responsibility agreement or the couple subsequently marry;

• the child’s legally appointed guardian – appointed either by a court or by a parent with parental responsibility in

 the event of their own death;

• a person in whose favour a court has made a residence order concerning the child;

• a local authority designated in a care order in respect of the child (but not where the child is being looked after

 under section 20 of the Children Act, also known as being ‘accommodated’ or in ‘voluntary care’);

• a local authority or other authorised person who holds an emergency protection order in respect of the child.

**Informed consent can be given if the person signing the form is aware of:**

• the benefits and the risks of the proposed treatment

• what the treatment will involve

• what the implications of not having the treatment are

• what alternatives may be available

• what the practical effects on their lives of having, or not having, the treatment will be.

**I hereby request and consent to the physiotherapy assessment and treatment procedures for my child by Rebecca Simpson, MCSP, HPC Reg, MSc (Physiotherapy). My consent is voluntary and I intend this consent form to cover the entire course of assessment/ treatment for my child’s present condition, commencing on the date indicated below.**

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| **Childs name** |  |
| **Childs date of birth** |  |
| **Parents name** |  |
| **Parents signature** |  |
| **Date** |  |