

**NOTICE TO PATIENTS OF TYLER NEUROSURGICAL ASSOCIATES, P.A.
REGARDING PRESCRIPTION OF MEDICATION**

Patients are given prescriptions for pain following surgery and dismissal from the hospital. These prescriptions are usually all that will be needed for pain. The walking program, ice, and Tylenol can be used to relieve any residual pain. If additional medication is required, the patient should call our office and speak to a nurse who will answer most questions and consult the physician if required.

Your medication can only be managed by one physician. If another physician (referring physician, family physician) is prescribing pain medication for you, the physician at Tyler Neurosurgical Associates, P.A. (including the on-call physician) will **NOT** provide additional medication.

POLICIES REGARDING CALLS FOR MEDICATION:

1. Telephone calls related to medication and/or refills must be called in before 2:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and by 10:00 a.m. on Friday. Otherwise, the telephone call will not be handled until the next business day.
2. Medication will **NOT** be refilled or prescribed over the telephone after hours, or on weekends/holidays.

Please observe the above Policies to avoid problems, and expensive ER visits for treatment.

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In order to emphasize our position on this matter we request that you sign the following statement:

As a patient of the physicians of Tyler Neurosurgical Associates, P.A., I realize that I will in all likelihood be given prescriptions for medications. I further am aware that all medications have potentially harmful side effects and complications.

I will do my best to follow Tyler Neurosurgical Associates, P.A. Medication Policies, and ask my doctor to explain the common side-effects and complications of the medications I am receiving. I am further aware that any narcotic pain medications are addictive and that I will inform myself as to their addictive potential.

Patient's Signature: _____

Date: _____