## **Authorization to Release Data**

IHA Member Name:
A Culture of Patient Safety Survey Participating Medical Office:  The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) has established a database to serve as a national repository for data collected using AHRQ's Medical Office Survey on Patient Safety Culture. This database is a central repository for survey data from medical offices that have administered the AHRQ patient safety culture survey instrument.
The Indiana Hospital Association (IHA) is administering the survey through SurveyMonkey to collect and aggregate culture of survey results for Indiana outpatient medical office providers and staff. We understand the burden experienced when multiple organizations request the same information. In order to alleviate some of this burden, IHA needs your authorization to allow IHA to release data to AHRQ. The contract between IHA and your facility prohibit either IHA from sharing any data with any other organization without written authorization.
As a partner with AHRQ, IHA will receive a copy of the national database results from which IHA can build comparisons and benchmarks into reports. This will benefit your medical offices by continuing to make the national comparisons available. As we collectively strive to lessen the burden of providing the same information to different entities, we would like to request your consent to share information.
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I authorize IHA to release the below information to AHRQ. I understand that such data will identify our institution, will include survey results completed by employees but will not identify persons by name nor have any data pertaining to patients. I also understand that this authorization will remain in place throughout our participation unless otherwise requested by IHA or my facility. Please initial the appropriate response:
Yes, I consent to allow IHA to share our Medical Office Survey on Patient Safety Culture data collected with AHRQ.
No, I do not consent to allow IHA to share our Medical Office Survey on Patient Safety Culture data collected.
(CEO/Administrator)
(facility)
(date)