### [NAME AND BDAY]

#### **Medications**

• List medications you take.

### **Allergies**

List your allergies.

### **Previous Surgery Notes:**

- List any related procedures you've had and concerns. Sample below:
  - Procedure performed for sterilization and evaluation/treatment of endometriosis
  - Surgeon reported normal uterus, ovaries, and fallopian tubes
  - Three "powder burn" endometriosis lesions were fulgurated:
    - Two on the left uterosacral ligament (deep infiltrating)
    - One on the right anterior abdominal wall
  - No excision was performed lesions were fulgurated only
  - No visible adhesions or deep lesions documented
  - Concerns:
    - It seems like only a brief pelvic survey was done; no mention of bowel, bladder, or deeper tissue evaluation
    - Surgeon/OBGYN did not complete a biopsy, said it wasn't needed
    - Surgeon/OBGYN did not specialize in endometriosis excision
    - I left the surgery feeling unsupported and with no long-term plan
    - Surgeon/OBGYN has not seen me or spoken to me since the surgery. She sends me to a nurse practitioner who does not seem to be experienced with this type of condition

# **Key Ongoing Symptoms**

- List all of your symptoms. Sample below:
  - o **Bloating** Persistent; often daily and worsened during flares
    - I frequently look like I am pregnant and cannot fit comfortably into regular clothes
    - Driving with a seatbelt is very uncomfortable
    - I can't seem to find any correlation to certain foods although struggle with finding and implementing the right protocol to identify trigger foods

- Bladder symptoms Increased urgency, pressure, pain in abdomen when urinating.
  - It's hard to get a stream going and keep it going. Sometimes I just sit there and nothing comes out.
  - It hurts my abdomen when my bladder is full
  - PT notes "sticky" feeling when mobilizing bladder
- Middle lower abdominal pain Ongoing; severe; affects daily comfort
  - Not sure if this is uterus, bladder, or both
- Left-sided abdominal pain Constant before and after surgery; no improvement
  - Lately particularly bad when laying on left side
- Right-sided abdominal pain Previously tied to large cyst; pain has improved but is still present
- Pelvic floor tightness Identified in PT
  - Zings of pain all around the abdomen, random.
  - Fascial lumps all over lower belly
- Back and leg pain Related to pelvic tension. Worsens near period but is always present.
- **Fatigue** I am having trouble keeping up with my daily activities. Exercise is not reasonable for me to do regularly anymore.
- o **Breast pain** Cyclically worse post-surgery; likely hormonal
- Irregular Cycles Cycles ranging from 34-45 days instead of 28
  - There doesn't seem to be a rhyme or reason to the length of cycle and the length/severity/timing of period-like symptoms.
  - I can't tell when I'm ovulating anymore as my symptoms are just kind of melting into every day
  - I am not certain if my flow is "normal" or not... first 2 days may fill 5-6 super tampons a day
- Supersmell I can smell everything so intensely... more so around ovulation or 2 weeks before period
- Nausea Frequent nausea, particularly near ovulation
- o Rectal and Vaginal pressure/pain
- Diaphragm tightness restriction in this area
- Chronic constipation my whole adult life, resolved with daily magnesium pills recently.

### **Top Concerns**

- List your concerns. Sample below:
  - Symptoms point to deeper endo or adhesions not addressed during initial surgery
  - Bladder and pelvic floor issues growing worse- concerned about organ tethering

No long-term plan or specialty support post-surgery

#### **Treatments Tried**

- List any treatments you've tried. Sample below:
  - Laparoscopic surgery (Sept 2024)
  - Pelvic floor physical therapy (manual therapy, bladder mobilization, breathwork, stretches, exercises, emotional support)
  - o **Anti-inflammatory** diet and supplements
  - Muscle relaxers help me sleep on bad days. I have been taking one every 2-3 days in recent months to try and live a normal life.
  - Heating pad on my abdomen and back helps.
  - Compression on abdomen- this just makes my whole belly feel red hot and itchy by the end of the day
  - Nightly breathwork, stretching, self massage, etc

## What I'm Hoping to Get From This Appointment

- What do you want from this doctor? Sample below:
  - Expert opinion on whether a second surgery with deep excision is warranted
  - o Evaluation of possible adhesions or missed organ involvement
  - A collaborative plan from a provider experienced with complex endometriosis cases
  - Strategies or referrals that support care without long-term hormone use
    - I am not interested in synthetic hormones unless as a last resort or made as a part of a well thought out treatment plan after root cause treated (maybe)