



# Christian Healthcare Ministries

*The biblical solution to healthcare costs*

## Free Medical Consultant Services

Dear Christian Healthcare Ministries participant,

I have had the privilege of serving as your medical consultant since 1995. The free medical consulting service was conceived by CHM leadership as a means of assisting members in making wise medical choices and controlling skyrocketing health care costs. The free consulting service attempts to meet that need through a variety of resources.

### Healthwatch column in the Christian Healthcare Ministries newsletter

Each newsletter issue includes an in-depth teaching article on a relevant health issue from a biblical perspective. Also, the newsletter often contains practical articles on cutting-edge research.

### Educational resource website

We have designed [www.chministries.org](http://www.chministries.org) to be a “hub” for biblical health resources on a variety of spiritual and physical topics.

### Resource areas include:

- practical information on common health concerns
- sign-up for our free e-newsletter *Vital Signs*
- *online store* with tapes, videos and books

### Consultation

The *Request for Medical Information (RFI)* sheet allows you to submit questions about your particular medical condition. This is especially valuable **before** you experience significant expense. It is designed to assist you in determining the best approach to your medical need. Our purpose is not to replace your primary physician, but to be a resource to you (and your doctor). When you have a medical question, send in the enclosed Request for Medical Information sheet or use our online form at [www.chministries.org](http://www.chministries.org). (Please do not submit the form until you have a medical question.)

In addition, this service consults with the leadership of Christian Healthcare Ministries to reduce unnecessary costs and to keep member fees down. If you would like to support these services financially, you can do so by sending a gift to CHM and designating it to the “medical consultant fund.”

Gratefully yours,

Michael D. Jacobson, D.O.



### Examples of consultation benefits

- A member in Missouri had severe low back pain and was encouraged to obtain an MRI (about \$1,400) and to consider back surgery (at an expected cost of \$10,000). We informed him about an alternative that cost him \$600 and restored his back without any further tests or surgery.
- A young female missionary had to return from the mission field due to a severe illness that went undiagnosed after numerous tests. We suggested a particular lab test that pinpointed the problem and resulted in her regaining her weight, energy and ministry at a very modest cost.

### About Dr. Jacobson



Michael D. Jacobson, D.O. has devoted much of his professional career to assisting church, family and corporate leadership in effectively addressing health and medicine issues from a biblical and scientific perspective. Dr. Jacobson has also served as a military flight surgeon, an assistant pastor, and medical director of New Destiny Treatment Center in Clinton, Ohio. He is the author of *The Word on Health* (Moody Press), and co-author (with Dr. Neil Anderson) of *The Biblical Guide to Alternative Medicine* (Regal). Dr. Jacobson resides with his wife and children in Cincinnati, Ohio.

# Request for Medical Information



**Christian Healthcare Ministries** Galatians 6:2, Acts 2 & 4

Dr. Jacobson, CHM medical consultant, will provide free information relevant to your request to the best of his ability. This information may involve procedures or treatments that do not meet CHM guidelines for sharing. In addition, CHM is not responsible for decisions made by members using Dr. Jacobson's services. This information and advice is not intended to replace the services of a physician.

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Personal Information

Name: First: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I.: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_ CHM#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse / Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Person this request is concerning (if different) \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr.  Mrs.  Miss  Child Status:  Single  Married  Divorced  Remarried Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

## History

Family history:  Asthma  Allergy  Diabetes  High blood pressure  Heart  Stroke  Kidney  Cancer  
Past medical / Surgical history: *(Significant illnesses or surgeries)* \_\_\_\_\_

## Current Problem

What is your problem? \_\_\_\_\_  
When did it start? \_\_\_\_\_  
Details of illness as they occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

What treatments or diagnoses have you already received for your current problem? *(Feel free to attach any test result summaries if you wish):*

## Possible Contributing Factors

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_  
Medications, vitamins, herbs: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other relevant factors to consider (e.g. circumstances, diet): \_\_\_\_\_

## List Your Specific Questions

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Additional Support:

- + Practical information is available on our website.
- + Our [Vital Signs](#) email newsletter is available at no cost, though donations are welcome  Check this box to sign up, or you can visit our website or contact our office. You also can search our online back issue listing and download or order individual issues.
- + A variety of books and tapes offering spiritual and medical help are available on our website

## Spiritual Health Support

Our desire is to provide both medical and spiritual support as we realize that physical illness impacts the soul and spirit as well. We as a staff would like to pray for any spiritual needs that may accompany your medical problem if you would like to share them with us.

Prayer Requests: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Return form to:

### Christian Healthcare Ministries

127 Hazelwood Avenue Barberton, OH 44203  
Phone: 800-791-6225 Fax: (330) 798-6100

## Visit our website:

[www.chministries.org](http://www.chministries.org)

Please allow 1-2 weeks for a response