



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4731.77

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When a physician orders a test for the presence of Lyme disease in a patient, the physician or physician's delegate shall provide to the patient or patient's representative a written notice with the following information:

"Your health care provider has ordered a test for the presence of Lyme disease. Current testing for Lyme disease can be problematic and may lead to false results. If you are tested for Lyme disease and the results are positive, this does not necessarily mean that you have contracted Lyme disease. In the alternative, if the results are negative, this does not necessarily mean that you have not contracted Lyme disease. If you continue to experience symptoms or have other health concerns, you should contact your health care provider and inquire about the appropriateness of additional testing or treatment."

The physician or physician's delegate shall obtain a signature from the patient or patient's representative indicating receipt of the notice. The document containing the signature shall be kept in the patient's record.
