

## MEDICAL HISTORY FORM

Date	
Class Venue	
Name	
Gender	Male Female
Date of Birth	
Address	
Postcode	
Home Telephone	
Mobile Telephone*	
Email	
If you do not wish to receive any promotion/special offers by email please tick this box**	
Where did you hear about Yoga in Cheshir	re?
Friend/Leaflet/ Poster/ GP Referral/ Website (please say which	
site)/ Advertisement/ Other (Please state)	
Contact name & number in case of emergencies	
Regarding your medical history, please circle if you have a history of any of the following conditions. If this is still current please also tick	

Circulation problems Insomnia Anaemia

Depression Menstrual problems/ Anxiety/ stress

**Arthritis Diabetes PMS** 

Migraine/headaches Digestive problems **Asthma Respiratory problems Back pain from discs Epilepsy** 

Skin disease Eye problems Back pain (non Varicose veins specific) Dizziness

Blood pressure-low/ Hearing problems high **Heart trouble** Cancer **Lung Trouble** 

Are you pregnant? If so how many weeks? Do you take prescribed medication? What for?

Have you had any recent Injuries, illnesses or operations. Please describe any movement that may be painful or cause problems for you.

Other (continue on the other side if need be)

Have you done yoga before? If so what type?

Agreement that the student will be responsible for their personal health and safety throughout the yoga practice.

Signature: Date:



## Please remove and keep this page for your personal reference. Please advise the teacher of any changes to your personal information.

## **Medical Advice and Cautions**

- Before starting a yoga class check with your doctor and teacher/s. Be sure to tell your teacher about any concerns or physical limitations you may have.
- Some of our classes are not suitable for pregnant women or for people with certain medical conditions. If you think that this might apply to you it is essential that you telephone for advice on yoga classes that would best suit your needs. If your medical condition changes you must inform your teacher in advance of the class
- If you are pregnant, tell your teacher, so he or she can modify postures for you. If you prefer, there are special yoga classes available for expectant mothers. Avoid postures that put pressure on the uterus.
- If you are menstruating certain asanas (postures) are not suitable so please consult the teacher at the beginning of the class. It is also recommended to omit inverted postures during menstruation (e.g. shoulder and head stands).
- When you practice yoga postures listen to yourself and your body, to respect its
  peculiarity's and limitations, and have confidence in your own sense of right and
  wrong. DO NOT continue any movement that causes you discomfort or pain. It is
  not easy in the beginning but gradually the yoga will increase your sensitivity and
  self-awareness.
- Avoid comparing yourself with anyone else; yoga is about celebrating your individuality and working with your own strengths and weaknesses.
- Always warm up gradually and work at your own pace. While some stiffness may occur after the first classes, you should not feel pain.
- Yoga in general is not a competitive practice! So be content with what you do
  here and now and let flexibility and strength develop with time from within. The
  more you can ease into the practice the easier it is for the postures to come from
  within. DO NOT force yourself into any positions.
- The teacher may choose to adjust students during the class. Please let them know if you do not wish to be adjusted.

Please discuss any worries, concerns or queries with the teacher either by arriving early or after class. Tabitha is also available by telephone on 07754 434350 or email tab@yogainchesire.com

## Practical advice that is beneficial to support your yoga experience:

- Wear comfortable clothing; it should not restrict breathing, digestion or circulation. Your clothes should be able to stretch but not be too loose or flowing. Remove loose jewellery. Yoga is always practised in bare feet to prevent slipping.
- Do not eat any heavy meals less than two hours before the yoga practice. You can have a small snack such as fruit closer to your practice. Also do not drink more than a small glass of water half an hour before the yoga practice.
- After the yoga practice you should always rest in a relaxation pose and with normal breathing. Put on some extra clothes, socks and/or a blanket so you don't get cold. It is not acceptable to leave class before it has finished without pre arrangement with the teacher.

If you experience emotional reactions during or after the yoga practice - welcome and accept the emotions. If you like you can talk it over with the teacher afterwards