

# **Notice of Privacy Practices**

### THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW CAREFULLY! THE PRIVACY OF YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT TO US.

#### **OUR LEGAL DUTY**

We are required by applicable federal and state law to maintain the privacy of your health information. We are also required to give you this notice about our privacy practices, our legal duties, and your rights concerning your health information. We must follow the privacy practices that are described in the notice while it is in effect. This notice takes effect January 1, 2014, and will remain until we replace it.

We reserve the right to change our privacy practices and the terms of this notice at any time, provided such changes are permitted and applicable by law. We reserve the right to make the changes in our privacy practices and the new terms of our notice effective for all health information that we maintain, including health information we created or received before we made the changes. Before we make a significant change in our privacy practices, we will change this notice and make the notice available upon request.

You may request a copy of our notice at any time. For more information about our privacy practices, or for additional copies of this notice, please contact us using the information listed at the head of this notice.

#### **USES AND DISCLOSURES OF HEALTH INFORMATION**

We use and disclose health information for purposes such as treatment, payment, and health care operations. (Example: Discussion of treatment plans with guardians, caregivers, or responsible parties; As required or requested by law; Cases of abuse or neglect; National Security; Appointment reminders; etc.)

## PATIENT RIGHTS

Access, Disclosure, Accounting, Restriction, Alternative Communication, Amendment, Electronic Notices, Etc.

#### **QUESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS**

If you want more information about our privacy practices or have questions or concerns, please contact us by means of phone, mail, email, or fax. If you are concerned that we may have violated your privacy rights, or disagree with a decision we made about access to your health information or in response to a request you made to amend or restrict the use or disclosure of your health information or to have us communicate with you by alternative locations, you may complain to us using the contact information at the head of this Notice. You may submit a written complaint to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. We will provide you with the address upon request.

We support your right to the privacy of your health information. We will not retaliate in any way if you choose to file a complaint with us or with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Patient Name:	
Patient Signature:	
Date:	