

SUMMARY NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES



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McDonough District Hospital

The following is a summary of the **NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES**, which is attached, in full text. **THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.**

We are required by law to maintain the privacy of your medical information. We must provide you with a copy of this notice. We must follow the terms of this notice. If the notice is changed in any material way, a revised notice will be available upon request.

We will use your medical information for **Treatment**. For example, a nurse who is providing your care will report any changes in your condition to your doctor. We will use your medical information for **Payment**. For example, we may need to give your insurance plan information about your diagnosis, treatment and supplies used. We will use your medical information for **Health Care Operations**. For example, we may use your medical information to evaluate our services. We may contact you at any phone number or address you have provided to us to remind you of an appointment or other health care matters or to obtain payment for our services.

We may use your name and address for fund raising activities. We may use and disclose your medical information to inform you of treatment alternatives or other health related benefits and services. We may disclose your medical information to family members or others who are involved in your care or payment for that care. If we have a patient directory, we may include you in that directory. You must notify Our Designee in writing if you do not want us to communicate with you in any of these ways.

We may use your medical information for any uses that are required or permitted by law. Other uses and disclosures will be made only with your written authorization. You may cancel an authorization at any time by notifying Our Designee in writing.

You have the following rights: **Right to privacy notice; Right to request restrictions on uses and disclosures of your medical information; Right to receive confidential communications; Right to inspect and copy your medical information; Right to request an amendment to your medical information; and Right to an accounting of disclosures of your medical information.**

Contact Information. If you feel that your privacy rights have been violated, please contact Our Designee at (309) 836-1675 or the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services.

As indicated by my signature below I hereby acknowledge receipt and understanding of the **Notice of Privacy Practices**.

Signature of Patient or Personal Representative

Date

Written name of Patient or Personal Representative

Description of Personal Representative's authority to act on Patient's behalf

Effective 4/11/03

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