

www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/understanding/consumers/index.html. For example, these other uses and disclosures may involve:

- **Our business associates.** We may use and disclose your PHI to outside persons or entities that perform services on our behalf, such as auditing, legal, or transcription (“**Business Associates**”). The law requires our business associates and their subcontractors to protect your PHI in the same way we do. We also contractually require these parties to use and disclose your PHI only as permitted and to appropriately safeguard your PHI.
- **Electronic Data Exchanges.** Consistent with applicable law, we may send you text messages, emails or other electronic communications for treatment, payment, healthcare operations and other permitted purposes. Our Practice may participate in one or more Health Information Exchanges (“**HIEs**”) and may electronically share your PHI for treatment, payment, healthcare operations and other permitted purposes with other participants in the HIE. HIEs allow your healthcare providers to efficiently access and use your PHI as necessary for treatment and other lawful purposes.
- **Complying with the law.** For example, we will share your PHI if the Department of Health and Human Services requires it when investigating our compliance with privacy laws.
- **Helping with public health and safety issues.** For example, we may share your PHI to:
 - report injuries, births, and deaths;
 - prevent disease;
 - report adverse reactions to medications or medical device product defects;
 - report suspected child neglect or abuse, or domestic violence; or
 - avert a serious threat to public health or safety.
- **Responding to legal actions.** For example, we may share your PHI to respond to:
 - a court or administrative order or subpoena;
 - discovery request; or
 - another lawful process.

However, in many situations we are prohibited from sharing, and will not share, your PHI for investigations or legal actions concerning reproductive health care access and services where that care is lawful as provided. For example, the law prohibits us from using or disclosing your reproductive health care-related PHI in many instances to:

- respond to investigation requests, court orders, or subpoenas seeking information about or imposing liability on any person for seeking, obtaining, providing, or facilitating lawfully provided reproductive health care; or
- identify any person that is subject to a criminal, civil, or administrative investigation or legal action, including any in law enforcement investigations, criminal prosecutions, family law proceedings, or state licensure proceedings, for seeking, obtaining, providing, or facilitating lawfully provided reproductive health care.

Some examples of seeking, obtaining, providing, or facilitating reproductive health care include: using reproductive health care; performing, furnishing, or paying for reproductive health care; providing information about reproductive health care; arranging, insuring, administering, providing coverage for, approving, or counseling about reproductive health care; or attempting any of these activities.

For more information on these prohibited uses and disclosures and when the prohibition applies, see <https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/special-topics/reproductive-health/final-rule-fact-sheet/index.html>.

- **Research.** For example, we may share your PHI for some types of health research that do not require your authorization, such as if an institutional review board (“**IRB**”) has waived the written authorization requirement.
- **Working with medical examiners or funeral directors.** For example, we may share PHI with coroners, medical examiners, or funeral directors when an individual dies.
- **Addressing workers' compensation, law enforcement, or other government requests.** For example, we may use and disclose your PHI for:
 - workers' compensation claims;
 - health oversight activities by federal or state agencies;
 - law enforcement purposes or with a law enforcement official; or
 - specialized government functions, such as military and veterans' activities, national security and intelligence, presidential protective services, or medical suitability.

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