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## Notice of Privacy Practices – Summary

MB CARE PC is required by Federal Law to maintain the privacy of your health information and that you be provided with this Notice of our legal duties regarding our privacy practices. You are referred to the attached Notice of Privacy Practices that contains all the elements of MB CARE's privacy practices. The "Notice of Privacy Practices" explains how MB CARE PC protects and uses your personal health information, and your rights pertaining to your health information when, and after, you receive care at MB CARE.

MB CARE may change its Notice of Privacy Practices at any time. In addition to being provided to you with this paper copy, our current Notice of Privacy Practices will be displayed on our web site [www.mbcarepc.com].

**How We Collect Information About You:** MB CARE PC and its employees and volunteers collect data through a variety of means including but not necessarily limited to letters, phone calls, emails, voice mails, and from the submission of applications that is either required by law, or necessary to process applications or other requests for assistance through our organization.

What We Do Not Do With Your Information: Information about your financial situation and medical conditions and care that you provide to us in writing, via email, on the phone (including information left on voice mails), contained in or attached to applications, or directly or indirectly given to us, is held in strictest confidence.

We do not give out, exchange, barter, rent, sell, lend, or disseminate any information about applicants or clients who apply for or actually receive our services that is considered patient confidential, is restricted by law, or has been specifically restricted by a patient/client in a signed HIPAA consent form.

**How We Do Use Your Information:** Information is only used as is reasonably necessary to process your application or to provide you with health or counseling services which may require communication between MB CARE PC and health care providers, medical product or service providers, pharmacies, insurance companies, and other providers necessary to: verify your medical information is accurate; determine the type of medical supplies or any health care services you need including, but not limited to; or to obtain or purchase any type of medical supplies, devices, medications, insurance.

Uses and Disclosure of Protected Health Information May Be Made for Treatment, Payment, Healthcare Operations and Other Purposes Without Prior Authorization.

Unless you disagree, we may contact you for appointment reminders or to tell you about possible treatment choices, health benefits or services.

Unless you disagree, we may disclose medical information about you to a friend or family member who is involved in your medical care, or to a disaster relief authorities so your family may be notified of your location and condition.



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Subject to certain requirements, we may give out health information about you without your authorization for public health purposes, abuse or neglect reporting, audits or inspections, research studies, required notifications of death, Worker's Compensation, the Food and Drug Administration, health oversight, judicial and administrative proceedings, law enforcement, specialized government functions, state surveyors, licensing, accrediting, quality oversight agencies, and emergencies.

If you apply or attempt to apply to receive assistance through us and provide information with the intent or purpose of fraud or that results in either an actual crime of fraud for any reason including willful or un-willful acts of negligence whether intended or not, or in any way demonstrates or indicates attempted fraud, your non-medical information can be given to legal authorities including police, investigators, courts, and/or attorneys or other legal professionals, as well as any other information as permitted by law.

Limited Right to Use Non-Identifying Personal Information From Biographies, Letters, Notes, and Other Sources: Any pictures, stories, letters, biographies, correspondence, or thank you notes sent to us become the exclusive property of MB CARE. We reserve the right to use non-identifying information about our clients (those who receive services or goods from or through us) for fundraising and promotional purposes that are directly related to our mission.

Clients will not be compensated for use of this information and no identifying information (photos, addresses, phone numbers, contact information, last names or uniquely identifiable names) will be used without client's express advance permission.

**Your Rights Regarding Medical Information About You:** You have the right to request a copy or view your medical information that we use to make a decision about your care. You may be charged a fee for the copies.

If you believe that your information in your record is incorrect or important information is missing, you have the right to request we amend the records.

You may specifically request that NO information be used whatsoever for promotional purposes, but you must identify any requested restrictions in writing. We respect your right to privacy and assure you no identifying information or photos that you send to us will ever be publicly used without your direct or indirect consent.