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### PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET

LAST NAME GENDER (AS STATED WITH INSURANCE)			FIRSTNAME	M.I.	PREFERRED NAME
			GENDERIDENTITY	P	REFERRED LANGUAGE
D	ATE OF BIRTH	SOCI	AL SECURITY NUMBER	RE	FERRED TO US BY
ETHNICI	TY: Hispanic/Latino	Non-Hispanic Latino	SEXUAL ORIENTATION:	Heterosexual	Homosexual Bisexua
RACE:	White	African American Middle Eastern	Native American Other:	Asian	
CONTA	ACT INFORMATIO	<u>N:</u>			
TREET AL	DDRESS				APT/SUITE/UNIT
	CITY				ZIP CODE
		□	Mobile Home	Other:	
	PRIMARY CONTACT PHON	🛛	Mobile 🗌 Home	Office	Other:
	DRESS (For your Patient Por		ur provider, access lab results, r	equest personal hea	Ith information)
REFERR	N ED PHARMACY:	AME	PHONE NUM	/BER	RELATIONSHIP
or your c	onvenience, we offer an on-s		ery and a new patient gift certific I for same day pick up of medica		
[			specialty medications such		-C)
[	Midland Pharmacy or	n-site (Please fill all my m	edications on-site)		
[	Other Pharmacy Offs	ite (Please fill out the info	ormation below):		
	NAME OF PHARMACY		LOCATION	l	PHONE NUMBER
			pages that require a signa r your appointment by ser		
	-	land Park Blvd	Suite 200	Oakland Park, FL 3	

# **MIDLAND MEDICAL NEW PATIENT QUESTIONNAIRE** All questions contained in this questionnaire are strictly confidential and will become part of your medical record.

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Name: (Last, First, M.I.):				DOB:			
Previous/Referring Doctor:		Gende	er at Birth:	Gender	Gender Identity:		
Reason for Visit:				Date of	Last Physical Exam:		
	P	ERSONAL H	EALTH HISTOR	Y			
Medical Problems Doctors Have Diagnosed		Surgeries/Pro	ocedures		Hospitalizations (other than surgeries)		
List ALL of the medications you take, in	1						
Name the Drug	Dose	How often	Reason for taking				
Allergies to medications							
Name the Drug	Reaction Yo	ou Had					
Vaccinations	Dose One	(Month/Year)		Dose Two (M	onth/Year)		
COVID-19				<b>.</b>			
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis							
Hepatitis A							
Hepatitis B							
Human Papillomavirus							
Influenza							
Measles, Mumps, Rubella							
Meningococcal							
Pneumococcal							
Polio							
Rotavirus							
Varicella							
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Name:			D	ate of Birth:				
		HEALTH	HABITS AND PE	<b>RSONAL SAFET</b>	Y			
AL	L QUESTIONS CON	TAINED IN THIS QUE	STIONNAIRE ARE OP	TIONAL AND WILL B	E KEPT STRICTLY CO	NFIDENTIAL		
Alcohol	Do You Drink Alcoho	ol? 🗌 Yes 🗌 N	lo (skip to next section, <sup>-</sup>	Tobacco.)				
	If yes, how often do	you drink?pe	r 🗌 Week 🗌 Mo	onth 🗌 Year				
	How much do you d	rink when you drink?						
	1-2 Drinks	3-4 Drinks	4-5 Drinks	More than Five	Drinks			
	Are you concerned a	about the amount you d	rink?		🗌 Yes 🔲 No			
	Do you ever drive af	fter drinking?			🗌 Yes 🔲 No			
	Have you had any a	ccidents/falls or fights c	lue to your drinking?		🗋 Yes 🔲 No			
Tobacco	Do You use Tobacco	o? 🗌 Yes 🗌 I d	lid but Quityears a	ago 🗌 No (skip to	next section, sex.)			
	If you are Currently	using Tobacco: (Amour	nt per Day)					
	Cigarettes:p	acks/day 🛛 🗌 Vape:		Other:				
	Interest Level in Qui	itting: and Motivated	Uery Interested	Interested	□ Not Interested	ł		
Sex	Do You Have Sex wi	ith: 🗌 Men 🗌 Tra	ns Men 🗌 Women	Trans Women	All 🗌			
	Relationship Status:		Relationship - Monogam	ish 🗌 Open Re	lationship 🛛 🗌 Sin	gle		
	Have You had Sexual activity within the last 12 months?       Yes       No (If no, skip to next section-Exercise.)							
	Approximate numbe	er of partners in past 12 ection - Exercise)		5-10 11-	20 🗌 More <sup>-</sup>	Than 20		
	Activity	Condom Use?	Activity	Condom Use?	Activity	Condom Use?		
		Always		Always		Always		
	Perform Oral	Some of the Time	Insertive Vaginal	Some of the Time	Insertive Anal	Some of the Time		
		Close to Never		Close to Never		Close to Never		
	Receptive Oral	Some of the Time	Receptive Vaginal		Receptive Anal	Some of the Time		
		Close to Never		Close to Never		Close to Never		
			ally transmitted infection		rhea or chlamydia?	Yes No		
	If Yes, Describe:							
	If Yes, Describe:		nosed with a sexually tra	insmitted infection? [	] Yes 🗌 No			
Exercise	Sedentary (No ex							
		e., Climb Stairs, Walk 3						
			or Recreation, Less than		30 min.)			
			Recreation 4x/Week for	at least 30 minutes)				
Occupation	What Kind of Work of Are you Disting?							
Diet	Are you Dieting?	r Diot:				🗋 Yes 🔲 No		
Druge	If Yes, Describe you	r Diet: se Drugs Recreationally?	)					
Drugs	,					Yes No		
	If Yes, Which Drugs		You?					
		ug Use is a Problem for otional Abuse have bec	You? ome major public health	issues in this country	. This often takes the	Yes No		
Personal Safety			ctual physical or sexual			Yes No		

#### Name:

#### Date of Birth:

#### FAMILY HEALTH HISTORY

	AGE	SIGNIFICANT HEALTH PROBLEMS		AGE	SIGNIFICANT HEALTH PROBLEMS
Father			Children	□ M □ F	
Mother				□ M □ F	
Sibling	□ M □ F			□ M □ F	
	□ M □ F				
	□ M □ F		Grandmother Maternal		
	□ M □ F		Grandfather Maternal		
	□ M □ F		Grandmother Paternal		
	□ M □ F		Grandfather Paternal		

#### **REVIEW OF SYMPTOMS**

If you are having any symptoms in the following areas to a significant degree and briefly explain.

 $\hfill\square$  Check here if you have none of the symptoms listed below

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
Constitutional Symptoms			Cardiovascular			Hematologic/ Lymphatic		
Fevers/Chills/Sweats			Chest pain			Swollen Glands		
Significant Weight Gain			Irregular Heart Beat			Frequent Bruising		
Unintentional Weight Loss			Swelling of Feet or Legs			Bleed Easily		
Headaches			Palpitations			Skin		
Fatigue			Respiratory			Rashes/Sores		
Eyes			Wheezing			Mole Changes		
Blurred Vision			Shortness/Difficulty of Breath			Itching		
Double Vision			Cough			Genital-Urinary		
Vision Changes			Sleep Apnea			Urine Leakage		
Allergic/ Immunologic			Musculoskeletal			Urine Retention		
Hay Fever			Joint Pain			Burning W/Urination		
Medications			Muscle Weakness Arms/Legs			Frequent Urination		
Neurologic			Muscle Pain			Urinating at Night		
Dizziness			Ear/ Nose/ Throat/ Mouth			Penile Issues		
Seizures			Sore Throat			Erectile Dysfunction		
Numbness/Tingling			Sinus Problems			Testicular Pain		
Fainting or Nearly Fainting			Hearing Problems			Painful Intercourse		
Memory Loss			Ringing in Ears			Abnormal Bleeding		
Gastrointestinal			Ear Pain			Infertility		
Nausea/Vomiting			Bleeding of Gums or Nose			Vaginal Discharge		
Constipation/Diarrhea			Difficulty Swallowing			Fibroids		
Abdominal Pain			Psychiatric			Abnormal Menses		
Heartburn			Difficulty Concentrating			Painful Periods		
Cramping			Sadness/Depression/Crying			Breast		
Rectal Pain			Anxiety			Nipple Discharge		
Endocrine			Panic Attacks			Lumps		
Hair Loss			Thoughts of Suicide			Breast Tenderness		
Heat/Cold Intolerance			Insomnia			Skin Changes		

If yes to any of the above, briefly describe:

# ASSIGNMENT OF INSURANCE AND RELEASE AGREEMENT

Please remember that insurance is considered a method of reimbursing the patient for fees paid directly to the provider and is not a substitute for payment. Some carriers will pay fixed allowances for certain procedures, others will pay percentages of the charges. It is the patient's ultimate responsibility to pay any deductible, co-insurance, or any other balance not paid by your insurance carrier. If we are filing the claim for you, we allow 45 days from the billing date for the carrier to process the claim and make payment accordingly. If payment from your carrier is not received within this time frame, MIDLAND MEDICAL will inform you to pay your balance and seek reimbursement from your carrier. Billing insurance carriers is done as a courtesy to the patient and does not dismiss patient's responsibility for payment in full, unless other written arrangements have been made.

I certify that I have read and understand fully the provider's billing policy and agree to make payment in full, or satisfactory arrangement when asked to do so, as specified to do so, as specified above.

To the extent necessary to determine liability for the payment and to obtain reimbursement, I authorize disclosure of portions of the patient's record. I hereby assign all medical and other benefits, to include major medical benefits to which I am entitled, including Medicare, Private Insurance, etc. to MIDLAND MEDICAL.

This assignment will remain in effect until revoked by me in writing. A photocopy of this is to be considered valid as an original. I understand that I am financially responsible for all charges whether or not paid by my carrier. Should my account be referred to an attorney and/or collection agency, I shall be responsible for all applicable fees.

### PATIENT'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE

I authorize release of any medical information (including HIV status and/or test results) necessary to process any and all medical claims. I also authorize payment to be made for said claims(s) to MIDLAND MEDICAL. I have read and understand and agree with all the information set forth in this document

Patient Signature

Patient Name

# HIPAA WAIVER

In accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPPA), unless directed by the information you provide below, Midland Medical Broward, will not release confidential health information nor discuss appointments, bills, medications or any other affairs pertaining to a patient or any unauthorized individuals or entities either in person or by telephone, email or fax. This includes family members, spouses, and partners. When returning telephone calls, we will not leave a message on an answering machine or voicemail unless we are authorized in writing to do so. Also, information will not be given to an unauthorized person who may answer your telephone (either at home or at work). By completing the information below, you are providing us how we may contact you going forward.

I, and staff of Midland Medical Browar care by the following methods and/or i	individuals listed	below. I understand t	hat it is my responsibilit
to notify Midland Medical Broward, i <u>Please check each box that applies</u>	-		tion changes.
Cell Number			
$\Box$ Ok to send appointment ren	ninders ONLY		
$\Box$ Ok to send appointment ren	ninders and leave	e detailed messages or	n voicemail
$\Box$ Ok to send appointment ren	ninders but only	leave messages with 1	equest for call back
Home Telephone		_	
🗆 Do Not Use			
$\Box$ Ok to leave detailed messag	ge on voicemail	□ Leave message w	vith call back ONLY
Work Telephone			
🗆 Do Not Use			
$\Box$ Ok to leave detailed message	ge on voicemail	□ Leave message w	vith call back ONLY
Home Fax		$\Box$ Ok to Fax	🗆 Do Not Fax
Work Fax		$\Box$ Ok to Fax	🗆 Do Not Fax
It is okay to give confidential medication	al information to	my (List specific nar	nes):
□ Spouse/Partner			,
$\Box$ Parent(s)			
□ Child(ren)			
$\Box$ Sibling(s)			
Other (list relation also)			
I authorize this information to be dis	sclosed by the pro-	eferences I selected at	oove:
nture:		Date:	

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Midland MEDICAL AUTHO					
atient Name:	Date o	f Birth:			
Healthc	are Facility or Doctor from Which Records	are Requested			
Name:		Phone:			
ddress:		Fax:			
reatment Dates: From: _	То:				
reatment Dates: From:	Operative Reports	Discharge Summary			
Labs History & Physical	Operative Reports Physical/Occupational Therapy				
Labs History & Physical EKG's	Operative Reports Physical/Occupational Therapy Mental Health	Discharge Summary			
Labs History & Physical	Operative Reports Physical/Occupational Therapy	Discharge Summary STD			

I hereby authorize Midland Medical Broward, LLC. to obtain the health information indicated below that is contained in my patient records to the recipient named above. I understand and acknowledge that this may include treatment for physical and mental illness, alcohol/drug abuse, and HIV/AIDS test results or diagnoses. I may revoke this authorization at any time, except where information has already been released, by completing Midland Medical Broward, LLC. Revocation of an Authorization Form. This authorization is valid for five years from the date of authorization written below. I understand that information used or disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be subject to disclosure by the recipient and may no longer be protected by federal or state law. A photocopy or fax of this authorization is availed as the original.

Signature of Patient or Patient's Personal Representative

Print Name

**Relationship to Patient** 

Date

# **ATTENTION PATIENTS:**

Under Florida Law, physicians are generally required to carry malpractice insurance or otherwise demonstrate financial responsibility to cover potential claims for medical claims for medical malpractice. Your doctor has decided not to carry medical malpractice insurance. This is permitted under Florida Law subject to certain conditions. Florida Law imposes penalties against uninsured physicians who fail to satisfy adverse judgments arising from claims of medical malpractice. This notice is provided pursuant to Florida Law.

I have read and fully understand this statement.

Patient's signature

Patient's printed name

Date

# **ATENCIÓN PACIENTES:**

Según las leyes de la Florida, se require generalmente que los medicos tengan seguro de mala práctica médica, o a lo contrario demostrar responsabilidad finaciera para cubrir posibles reclamaciones por mala práctica médica. Su doctor ha decidido no tener este seguro. Esto se permite por las leyes de la Florida sujetas a ciertas condiciones. Las leyes de la Florida imponen multas a los médicos no asegurados que no satisfagan juicios adversos derivados de reclamaciones de mala práctica médica. Este aviso ha sido provisto siguiendo las leyes de la Florida.

Yo he leído y entiendo perfectamente este aviso.

Firma del paciente

Nombre del paciente en letra de molde

Fecha

# **ATANSYON TOUT PASYAN:**

Selon lalwa Florid tout doktè sipoze genyen asirans malpratik medikal oswa montre responsabilite finansye ki pwouve yo ka peye yon reklamasyon pou malpratik medikal. Doktè isit la deside pa genyen asirans malpratik medikal. Lalwa Florid pèmèt sa a avèk kèk kondisyon. Lalwa Florid ap penalize doktè ki pa genyen asirans malpratik medikal e ki pa kapab satisfè yon reklamasyon malpratik. Nou founi notifikasyon sa a dapre lalwa Florid.

Mwen li ak byen komprann notifikasyon sa a.

Siyati pasyan

Non pasyan

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### NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES (MEDICAL)

#### THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFOMRATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY

The Health insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) is a federal program that requires that all medical records and other individually identifiable health information used or disclosed by us in any form, whether electronically, on paper, or orally, are kept properly confidential. This Act gives you, the patient, significant new rights to understand and control how your health information is used. HIPAA provides penalties for covered entities that misuse personal health information.

As required by HIPAA, we have prepared this explanation of how we are required to maintain the privacy of your health information and how we may use and disclose your health information.

We may use and disclose your medical records only for each of the following purposes: treatment, payment and health care operations.

- Treatment means providing, coordinating, or managing health care and related services by one or more health care providers. An example of this would include a physical examination.
- Payment means such activities as obtaining reimbursement for services, confirming coverage, billing or collection activities, and utilization review. An example of this would be sending a bill for your visit to your insurance company for payment.
- Health care operations include the business aspects of running our practice, such as conducting quality assessment and improvement activities, auditing functions, cost-management analysis, and customer service. An example would be an internal quality assessment review.

We may also create and distribute, de-identified health information by removing all references to individually identifiable information.

We may contact you to provide appointment reminders or information about treatments alternatives or other healthrelated benefits and services that may be of interest to you.

Any other uses and disclosures will be made only with your written authorization. You may revoke such authorization in writing and we are required to honor and abide by that written request, except to the extent that we have already taken actions relying on your authorization.

You have the following rights with respect to your protected health information, which you can exercise by presenting a written request to the Privacy Officer:

- The right to request restrictions on certain used and disclosures of protected health information including those related to family member, other relatives, close personal friends, or any other person identified by you. We are, however, not required to agree to a requested restriction. I f we do agree to a restriction, we must abide by it unless you agree in writing to remove it.
- The right to inspect and copy your protected health information.
- The right to receive an accounting of disclosures of protected health information.
- The right to obtain a paper copy of this notice from us upon request.

By signature I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICE

Patient's signature:

## AUTHORIZATION FOR TREATMENT AND HEALTHCARE INFORMATION CONSENT FORM

I authorize the physician, or the appointed staff, to administer treatment, anesthetics, or perform such operations as deemed necessary or advisable for the diagnosis and treatment of my healthcare. This includes blood draws for laboratory studies which may include HIV/AIDS diagnosis and treatment studies.

I understand as part of my healthcare, MIDLAND MEDICAL originates and maintains health records describing my health history, symptoms, examination and test results, diagnoses, treatment and any plans for future care or treatment. I understand this information serves as:

- A basis for planning my care and treatment.
- A means of communication among the many health professionals who contribute to my care.
- A source of information for applying my diagnosis and health information for billing purposes.
- A means by which a third-party payer can verify that services billed were actually provide.
- A tool for routine healthcare operations such as assessing quality and reviewing the competence of healthcare professionals.

I have received the MIDLAND MEDICAL Notice of Privacy Practices, which provides a more complete description of information uses and disclosures. I have the right to review this notice prior to signing this consent. I understand the organization reserves the right to change their notice and practices at any time and I may request a copy of any revised notice by contacting MIDLAND MEDICAL.

I understand I have the right to request restrictions as to how my health information may be used or disclosed to carry out treatment payment, or healthcare operations and that this organization is not required to agree to the restrictions requested. I understand I may revoke this consent by contacting MIDLAND MEDICAL's Privacy Officer and requesting a Revocation of Consent Form. I understand revoking my consent does not affect disclosures already made in reliance of my prior consent.

This consent is given freely with the understanding that all records, whether written, oral or in electronic format, are confidential and cannot be disclosed without my prior written authorization, except as authorized by law. A photocopy or fax of this consent is valid as this original. This consent is valid for 10 years from the date of signing and may be revoked upon written request.

Patient's Printed Name

Date

Patient's Signature (or Personal Representative)

Patient's Date of Birth

Witness's Signature

Witness's Printed name

# PATIENT FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FORM

Thank you for choosing Midland Medical Broward, LLC. as your healthcare provider. We are honored by your choice and committed to providing you with the highest quality healthcare. We ask that you read and sign this form to acknowledge your understanding of our patient financial policies, which are as follows:

- follows: • The patient is ultimately responsible for the payment of his/her treatment and care.
  - The patient is responsible for missed appointment charges as outlined in the fee schedule.
  - The patient is responsible for charges associated with forms completion as outlined in the fee schedule
  - The patient is responsible for any costs associated with collections of patient balances.
  - Patient statements are mailed monthly. The patient is responsible for making a payment, or for arranging a payment plan, within 30 days of the date that appears on his/her patient statement.
  - The patient is aware that failure to pay for his/her treatment and care will result in collection actions being taken to collect the debt (i.e. being sent to a collection agency)
  - If providing an insurance that requires selection of a Primary Care Physician (such as an HMO), it is the patient's responsibility to confirm that a Midland Physician has been selected and assigned as their Primary Care Physician. The patient is responsible for any costs associated with an incorrect PCP selected on their insurance policy.
  - The patient is aware that all laboratory charges (other than phlebotomy fees) are billed to your insurance directly by the laboratory and not Midland Medical. If your insurance did not cover certain laboratory charges, the laboratory will bill you directly. We will always use the laboratory your insurance mandates. All billing issues with laboratory charges should be directed to the laboratory and your insurance company.

#### **Patient Authorizations**

• By my signature below, I hereby authorize assignment of financial benefits directly to Midland Medical Broward, LLC. and associated healthcare entities for services rendered as allowable under standard third-party contracts. I understand that I am financially responsible for charges not covered by this assignment.

I have read, understand, and agree to the provisions of this Patient Financial Responsibility Form:

Signature of Patient or Guardian

# **Waiver of Patient Authorizations**

I do not wish to have information released and prefer to pay at the time of service and/or to be fully responsible of charges and to submit claims to my insurance company at my discretion.

Signature of Patient or Guardian

# FEE SCHEDULE

### Simple forms:

\$5.00

FMLA and Disability forms \$15.00

### Medical Records:

\$1.00 per page for the first 25 pages \$0.25 for each additional page

### **No Show Fee for Missed Appointments\*:**

\$60 for Appointments \$150 for Procedures

## Maximum lab fee for insurance covered patients:

\$15

\*Cancellations made at the time of a scheduled appointment or after a scheduled appointment will be considered as a missed appointment to which the aforementioned fee will be applied. If a patient incurs three (3) NO SHOWS, within a 12-month period, they will be dismissed from the practice.

Medical records cannot be mailed, faxed, or emailed to patients. There is <u>no charge</u> for medical records being sent to another healthcare provider or healthcare facility.

Self-pay patients will be notified of the cash price prior to their lab draw. PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED IN ADVANCE.

A copayment/coinsurance is an expense that the provider is expected to collect at time of visit. Providers should collect copayments/coinsurance amounts as defined by the member's contract. Participating providers are contractually prohibited from waiving a copayment/coinsurance which is considered an unacceptable billing practice for providers.

PATIENT SIGNATURE

DATE

### **Consent for Email & Text Communication**

As with any form of unencrypted communication, texting and e-mail can create potential risk that individually identifiable health information and other sensitive details contained in such e-mail or text be disclosed to or intercepted by unauthorized third parties. As such, we are seeking to obtain your written consent regarding e-mail and/or text communications. You will not hold Midland Medical Center or any of its affiliated companies liable if others access your e-mail or text messages from your computer, phone or another device.

Below you may consent and sign to receive e-mail and/or text messages from us regarding your treatment notifications and services. We utilize these communication channels for convenient items such as appointment reminders and paperless billing, in addition to other information. E-mail and texts sent to you by Midland Medical or its affiliated companies such as Midland Pharmacy may be included as a part of your medical record. We will use the *minimum necessary* amount of protected health information in any communication.

Please initial next to your choice regarding e-mail or text communication:

\_\_\_\_\_ I consent to and accept the risk in receiving medical information via e-mail and/or text message. I understand I can withdraw my consent at any time.

\_\_\_\_\_ I consent *only* to receiving appointment reminders via e-mail and/or text message. I understand I can withdraw my consent at any time.

E-mail address:

Mobile phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

I recognize that I can withdraw consent at any time by sending an email to info@midlandmed.com.

If I send an e-mail message to Midland Medical, Midland Medical will take that as permission to correspond via email and request that you sign this form in the future.

Print Name

Signature

Date

# **Our Promise of Privacy and Consent to Patient Records**

Our office is fully committed to compliance with HIPAA guidelines by:

- 1. Providing appropriate *security* for our patient records.
- 2. Protecting the *privacy* of our patients' medical information.
- 3. Providing our patients with proper *access* to their medical records
- 4. Appropriately maintaining our patient information and bill processes in compliance with national *standards*.

If you ever have any questions or concerns about your services or charges, we encourage you to call and ask for our Compliance Officer.

# **Summary of the HIPAA Rule**

- 1. It sets boundaries on the use and release of health records.
- 2. It establishes appropriate safeguards that health care providers and others must achieve to protect the privacy of health information.
- 3. It holds violators accountable, with civil and criminal penalties that can be imposed if they violate patients' privacy rights
- 4. It strikes a balance when public responsibility requires disclosure of some forms of data for example, to protect public health.
- 5. For patients it means being able to make informed choices when seeking care and reimbursement for care based on how personal health information may be used.
- 6. It enables patients to find out how their information may be used and what disclosures of their information have been made.
- 7. It generally limits release of information to the minimum reasonable need for the purpose of the disclosure.
- 8. It gives patients the right to examine and obtain a copy of their own health records and request corrections.

Our goal in reviewing and updating our privacy standards center on these components of the final rule. In all that we do in connection with patient records, we should keep in mind the above principles.