

Notice of Privacy Practices

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.

As a covered entity, as defined under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), The Moore Center, LLC is required by law to maintain the privacy of your protected health information. This “Notice” sets forth our obligations and your rights regarding the use and disclosure of your protected health information. The Moore Center, LLC uses health information about you for treatment, to obtain payment for treatment, for administrative purposes, and to evaluate the quality of care that you receive. Your health information is contained in a medical record that is the physical property of The Moore Center, LLC

How The Moore Center, LLC May Use or Disclose Your Health Information For Treatment

The Moore Center, LLC may use your health information to provide you with medical treatment or services. For example, information obtained by a health care provider, such as a physician, nurse, or other person providing health services to you, will record information in your file that is related to your treatment. This information is necessary for health care providers to determine what treatment you should receive. Health care providers will also record actions taken by them in the course of your treatment and note how you respond to the actions.

For Payment

The Moore Center, LLC may use and disclose your health information to others for purposes of receiving payment for treatment and services that you receive. For example, a bill may be sent to you or a third-party payer, such as an insurance company or health plan. The information on the bill may contain information that identifies you, your diagnosis, and treatment or supplies used in the course of treatment.

For Health Care Operations

The Moore Center, LLC may use and disclose health information about you for operational purposes. For example, your health information may be disclosed to members of the medical staff, risk or quality improvement personnel, and others to: evaluate our performance; assess the quality of care and outcomes in your case and similar cases; learn how to improve our practice and the services we offer; and determine how to continually improve the quality and effectiveness of the care we provide.

Appointments

The Moore Center, LLC may use your information to provide appointment reminders or information about treatment alternatives or other health-related benefits and services that may be of interest to you.

Group Health Plans

A group health plan, health insurance issuer, or HMO with respect to a group health plan may disclose health information to the sponsor of the plan.

Required by Law

The Moore Center, LLC may use and disclose information about you as required by law. For example, we may disclose information for the following purposes: for judicial and administrative proceedings pursuant to legal authority; to report information related to victims of abuse, neglect or domestic violence; and to assist law enforcement officials in their law enforcement duties.

Public Health

Health activities such as assisting public health authorities or other legal authorities to prevent or control disease, injury, or disability, or for other health oversight activities.

Descendents

Health information may be disclosed to funeral director or coroners to enable them to carry out their lawful duties.

Research

The Moore Center, LLC may use your health information for research purposes when an institutional review board or privacy board that has reviewed the research proposal and established protocols to ensure the privacy of your health information has approved the research.

Health and Safety

Your health information may be disclosed to avert a serious threat to the health or safety of you or any other person pursuant to applicable law.

Workers' Compensation

Your health information may be used or disclosed in order to comply with laws and regulations related to Workers' Compensation.

Other Uses

Other uses and disclosures will be made only with your written authorization and you may revoke the authorization except to the extent that The Moore Center, LLC have taken action in reliance on such. The Moore Center, LLC will take reasonable steps and apply safeguards to limit the permitted or required uses and disclosures of your protected health information to the minimum amount necessary to accomplish the task. The descriptions listed above do not include every possible use or disclosure that is permitted or required by law. The descriptions given are only intended to provide you with information about the various ways that we may use or disclose your protected health information and to give you some examples.

Your Health Information Rights

You have the right to: request a restriction on certain uses and disclosures of your information as provided by the HIPAA Privacy Standards; however, The Moore Center, LLC is not required to agree to a requested restriction; obtain a paper copy of the notice of information practices upon request; inspect and obtain a copy of your health record as provided by the HIPAA Privacy Standards; request that your health record be amended as provided by the HIPAA Privacy Standards; request communications of your health information by alternative means or at alternative locations; and receive an accounting of disclosures made of your health information as provided by the HIPAA Privacy Standards.

Complaints

You may contact The Moore Center, LLC directly if you believe your privacy rights have been violated. You will not be retaliated against for filing a complaint.

Our Obligations

The Moore Center, LLC is required by law to: maintain the privacy of protected health information; provide you with this notice of its legal duties and privacy practices with respect to your health information; abide by the terms of this notice; notify you if we are unable to agree to a requested restriction on how your information is used or disclosed; accommodate reasonable requests you may make to communicate health information by alternative means or at alternative locations; and we reserve the right to change its information practices and to make the new provisions effective for all protected health information it maintains. Revised notices will be made available to you on our webpage under "Privacy Policy".

If you have any questions or complaints, please call The Moore Center, LLC.