

PRIVACY NOTICE

EVERYTHING IN SIGHT
1521 Essington Road, Joliet, IL, 60435
815-729-2002

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. THIS NOTICE IS EFFECTIVE 6/19/2018.

RIGHT TO NOTICE

As a patient, you have the right to adequate notice of the uses and disclosures of your protected health information. Under the Health Insurance Portability and Accessibility Act (HIPAA), EVERYTHING IN SIGHT can use your protected health information for treatment, payment, and healthcare operations.

- 1.) Treatment: We may use or disclose your health information to a physician or other healthcare provider providing treatment to you.
- 2.) Payment: We may use and disclose your health information to obtain payment for services we provide you.
- 3.) Health care operations: We may use and disclose your health information in connection with our healthcare operations. Healthcare operations include quality assessment and improvement activities, reviewing the competency or qualifications of healthcare professionals, evaluating provider performance, conducting training programs, accreditation, certification, licensing or credentialing activities.

YOUR RIGHTS AS A PATIENT

You have the right to restrict the disclosure of your protected health information (in writing). The request for restriction may be denied if the information is required for treatment, payment or health care operations.

- A.) You have the right to receive confidential communications regarding your protected health information.
- B.) You have the right to inspect and copy your protected information.
- C.) You have the right to amend your protected health information.
- D.) You have the right to receive an account of disclosures of your protected health information.
- E. You have the right to a paper copy of this notice of privacy practices.

YOUR AUTHORIZATION

Most uses and disclosures that do not fall under treatment, payment, health care operations will require your written authorization. Upon signing, you may revoke your authorization (in writing) through our practice at any time.

PAYMENT

We may use and disclose medical information about you so that the treatment and services you receive may be billed to your insurance, and payment collected from the insurance company.

APPOINTMENT REMINDERS

We may use and disclose health information to contact you via postcard or email to remind you that you have an appointment with us. You may opt out of receiving appointment reminders by mail/email by letting us know (In writing).

EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

In the event of your incapacity or an emergency situation, we will disclose health information to a family member, or another person responsible for your care, using our professional judgment. We will only disclose health information that is directly relevant to the person's involvement in your healthcare.

MARKETING

We will not use your health information for marketing communications without your written authorization.

REQUIRED BY LAW

We may also use or disclose your health information when we are required to do so by law.

ABUSE OR NEGLECT

We may disclose your health information to appropriate authorities if we reasonably believe that you are a possible victim of abuse, neglect, domestic violence or the victim of other crimes. We may disclose your health information to the extent necessary to avert a serious threat to you or other people's health or safety.

NATIONAL SECURITY

We may disclose the health information of Armed Forces personnel to military authorities under certain circumstances. We may disclose health information to federal officials recruited for lawful intelligence and other national security activities. We may disclose health information of inmates or patients to the appropriate authorities under certain circumstances.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

EVERYTHING IN SIGHT is required by law to maintain the privacy of your protected health information. We are required to abide by the terms of the notice as it is currently stated, and reserve the right to change this notice. The policies in any new notice will not be in effect until they are available in our office in written form. They will also be available on our website everythinginsightjoliet.com.

COMPLAINTS

If you have a complaint regarding the way your protected health information was handled you may submit a complaint in writing to our office. You will not be retaliated against in any manner for a complaint.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information about EVERYTHING IN SIGHT's privacy policies, please call 815-729-2002 or visit us at 1521 Essington Road, Joliet, IL,60435.