



HIPAA email consent

VERY IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ!

- HIPAA stands for the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
- HIPAA was passed by the U.S. government in 1996 in order to establish privacy and security protections for health information
- Information stored on our computers is encrypted
- Most popular email services (ex. Hotmail®, Gmail®, Yahoo®) do not utilize encrypted email
- When we send you an email, or you send us an email, the information that is sent is not encrypted. This means a third party may be able to access the information and read it since it is transmitted over the Internet. In addition, once the email is received by you, someone may be able to access your email account and read it.
- Email is a very popular and convenient way to communicate for a lot of people, so in their latest modification to the HIPAA act, the federal government provided guidance on email and HIPAA
- The information is available in a pdf (page 5634) on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services website - <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-01-25/pdf/2013-01073.pdf>
- The guidelines state that if a patient has been made aware of the risks of unencrypted email, and that same patient provides consent to receive health information via email, then a health entity may send that patient personal medical information via unencrypted email

OPTION 1 – ALLOW UNENCRYPTED EMAIL

I understand the risks of unencrypted email and do hereby give permission to the Austin Med Clinic to send me personal health information via unencrypted email

Signature Date Printed name Please print email address
(parent or guardian if patient is a minor)

OPTION 2 – DO NOT ALLOW UNENCRYPTED EMAIL

I do not wish to receive personal health information via email

Signature Date Printed name
(parent or guardian if patient is a minor)



Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice of Privacy Practices

Patient Name: _____

State and federal laws require us to maintain the privacy of your health information and to inform you about our privacy practices by providing you with a Notice of Privacy Practices. Our Notice is available online. If you prefer a paper copy, please ask a team member for a copy of our Notice.

I acknowledge that a copy of this office's Notice of Privacy Practices has been made available to me. I have been given the opportunity to ask any questions I may have regarding this Notice.

Signature

Date

-----FOR OFFICE USE ONLY-----

We attempted to obtain written acknowledgement of receipt of our Notice of Privacy Practices, but acknowledgement could not be obtained because:

- Individual refused to sign
- Communication barriers prohibited obtaining the acknowledgement
- An emergency situation prevented us from obtaining the acknowledgement
- Other (Please Specify)



Authorization for Release of Information to Family and/or Friends

Name of Patient _____ Date of Birth _____

Parkview Dental of Westfield is authorized to discuss my dental care and may release my confidential health information to the following:

Name Relationship

Name Relationship

Rights of the Patient

I understand that I have the right to revoke this authorization at any time and that I have the right to inspect or copy the protected health information to be disclosed as described in this document by sending a written notification to **Parkview Dental of Westfield, 560 Springfield Avenue, Suite L, Westfield, NJ 07090**. I understand that a revocation is not effective in cases where the information has already been disclosed but will be effective going forward.

I understand that information used or disclosed as a result of this authorization may be subject to redisclosure by the recipient and may no longer be protected by federal or state law.

I understand that I have the right to refuse to sign this authorization and that my treatment will not be conditioned on signing this authorization.

This authorization shall be in force and effective until revoked by the patient or representative signing the authorization.

Signature of Patient or Personal Representative Date _____

Description of Personal Representative's Authority (attach necessary documentation)