Notice of Health Information Practices

You are receiving this notice because your healthcare provider participates in a non-profit, non-governmental health information exchange (HIE) called Health Current. It will not cost you anything and can help your doctor, healthcare providers, and health plans better coordinate your care by securely sharing your health information. This Notice explains how the HIE works and will help you understand your rights regarding the HIE under state and federal law.

How does Health Current help you to get better care? In a paper-based record system, your health information is mailed or faxed to your doctor, but sometimes these records are lost or One, medical personnel may access this information in a medical emergency. Two, you may sign a consent form giving your healthcare provider or others access to this information.

How is your health information protected?

Federal and state laws, such as HIPAA, protect the confidentiality of your health information. Your information is shared using secure transmission. Health Current has security measures in place to prevent someone who is not authorized from having access. Each person has a username and password, and the system records all access to your information.

Your Rights Regarding Secure Electronic Information Sharing

You have the right to:

- 1. Ask for a copy of your health information that is available through Health Current. Contact your healthcare provider and you can get a copy within 30 days.
- 2. Request to have any information in the HIE corrected. If any information in the HIE is incorrect, you can ask your healthcare provider to correct the information.
- 3. Ask for a list of people who have viewed your information through Health Current. Contact your healthcare provider and you can get a copy within 30 days. Please let your healthcare provider know if you think someone has viewed your information who should not have.

You have the right under article 27, section 2 of the Arizona Constitution and Arizona Revised Statutes title 3, section 3802 to keep your health information from being shared electronically through Health Current:

- 1. You may "opt out" of having your information available for sharing through Health Current. To opt out, ask your healthcare provider for the Opt Out Form. After you submit the form, your information will not be available for sharing through Health Current. Caution: If you opt out, your health information will NOT be available to your healthcare providers even in an emergency.
- 2. You may exclude some information from being shared. For example, if you see a doctor and you do not want that information shared with others, you can prevent it. On the Opt Out Form, fill in the name of the healthcare provider for the information that you do not want shared with others.

 Caution: If that healthcare provider works for an organization (like a hospital or a group of physicians), all your information from that hospital or group of physicians may be blocked from view.
- 3. If you opt out today, you can change your mind at any time by completing an Opt Back In Form that you can obtain from your healthcare provider.
- 4. If you do nothing today and allow your health information to be shared through Health Current, you may opt out in the future.

IF YOU DO NOTHING, YOUR INFORMATION MAY BE SECURELY SHARED THROUGH HEALTH CURRENT.