

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER (SUD) RECORDS ADDENDUM

Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records (42 CFR Part 2) Effective Date: 04/01/2026

Special Protections for SUD Information

Some of your health information may relate to substance use disorder (SUD) diagnosis, treatment, or referral for treatment. This information is protected under federal law, 42 CFR Part 2, which provides additional privacy protections beyond the HIPAA Privacy Rule.

We are required to protect the confidentiality of this information and provide you with notice of how it may be used and disclosed.

How We May Use and Disclose SUD Information

With your written consent, we may use and disclose your SUD information for:

- Treatment
- Payment
- Health care operations

Your consent may allow us to share this information with health care providers, health plans, and others involved in your care.

We may also use or disclose SUD information without your consent in limited circumstances permitted by law, including:

- Medical emergencies
- Public health reporting
- Research (under strict protections)
- Audit and program evaluations
- Court orders that meet federal requirements

Redisclosure of Information

Information disclosed with your consent for treatment, payment, and health care operations may be redisclosed by the recipient as permitted under applicable law.

However, your SUD information remains protected from unauthorized use and disclosure under federal law.

Your Rights Regarding SUD Information

You have the right to:

- Request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures
- Access and obtain copies of your information, as permitted by law
- Request an accounting of certain disclosures
- Revoke your consent in writing at any time (except where already relied upon)

These rights are in addition to the rights described in the main Notice of Privacy Practices.

Prohibition on Unauthorized Use and Disclosure

Federal law prohibits unauthorized use or disclosure of substance use disorder information. Violations may result in penalties.

Non-Discrimination

We will not use or disclose your SUD information to discriminate against you in:

- Treatment decisions
- Employment
- Housing
- Access to benefits or services

Breach Notification

In the event of a breach involving your SUD information, we will notify you in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and consistent with our existing breach notification processes.

Relationship to This Notice

This addendum supplements this Notice of Privacy Practices and applies specifically to substance use disorder information protected under federal law. All other provisions of the Notice remain in effect.