



Arizona Institute  
of Medicine & Pediatrics

## HIPAA & PRIVACY GUIDELINES

### What is HIPAA?

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) was passed to protect the confidential medical and billing records of our patients. A particularly important element of HIPAA regulation pertains to patients' rights related to access and control of their medical information. We count on all members of the UCSF entity to incorporate the HIPAA rules into your daily activities. Our patients have a right to privacy. We are committed to complying with HIPAA, not only because it is the law, but also because we value our patients and their privacy.

The Privacy Rule (45 CFR Part 160 and Subparts A and E of Part 164) provides the first comprehensive Federal protection for the privacy of health information. All segments of the health care industry have expressed support for the objective of enhanced patient privacy in the health care system. The Privacy Rule, as modified, is carefully balanced to provide strong privacy protections that do not interfere with patient access to, or the quality of, health care delivery.

### Acknowledgement of Notice of Privacy Practices:

I acknowledge that a copy of this office's Notice of Privacy Practices is available to me that outlines how a patient's confidential information will be used, disclosed, and protected.

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Patient's Printed Name

Is the Patient a minor?  Yes  No

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Patient/Guardian Signature

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Relationship to Patient

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Date