

Pinnacle Anesthesia Consultants, P.A.  
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If you are admitted and unless you tell us otherwise, we may provide your name, location in the hospital, and your general condition (good, fair, etc.) for information to be included in a patient directory and make this information available to anyone who asks for you by name.

We may use and disclose health information to contact you for an appointment reminder, to tell you about health-related services or recommend possible treatment options or alternatives that may be of interest to you, or to contact you about supporting our fundraising efforts.

Subject to certain requirements, we may use or disclose health information about you without your prior authorization for other reasons:

We may give out health information about you for public health purposes; to report abuse or neglect; for health oversight reviews; in research studies; for funeral arrangements and organ donation; in response to special law enforcement requests, valid judicial or administrative orders, or for authorized national security and intelligence activities; for workers' compensation purposes; to avert a serious threat to your health or safety or those of the public or another person; and when required by law. If you are or were a member of the armed forces, we may release information about you as required by military command authorities or the Department of Veterans Affairs. If you are an inmate of a correctional institution or under the custody of a law enforcement official, we may release health information about you to the correctional institution or law enforcement official.

In any other situation not covered by this notice, we will ask for your written authorization before using or disclosing your health information. You may revoke this authorization for any subsequent disclosures by notifying us in writing.

YOUR RIGHTS REGARDING HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU

You have the right to request in writing that you inspect and obtain a copy of the health information that we use to make decisions about your care. We may charge a fee for the costs of copying, mailing or other supplies and services associated with your request. If we deny your request to inspect or obtain a copy in certain limited circumstances, you may request that the denial be reviewed. Another licensed health care professional chosen by Pinnacle will review your request and the denial and we will comply with the outcome of that review.

If you believe that health information we have about you is incorrect or incomplete, you may make a written request to ask us to amend information. The request should state the reason for the amendment and specific information to be amended. The amendment must be limited to one page. Any amendment we make to your health information will be disclosed to those with whom we disclose information as previously stated.

We may deny your request for an amendment if the information to be amended was not created by us, is no longer maintained by us, is not part of the information which you would be permitted to inspect and copy; or is accurate and complete. We will notify you if we deny your request for amendment and you may appeal, in writing, our decision. Any statements of disagreement or rebuttal will be linked to your health information and made a part of any subsequent disclosure we make of such information.

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