



First Circle Medical Center

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PATIENT PRIVACY

HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices

Effective Date: June 17, 2026

Medical, mental health, and patient privacy protections. HIPAA protects your personal health information and gives you rights over how your medical and behavioral health information is used, shared, and accessed.

Your Privacy Rights

You have the right to review, request, limit, and ask questions about your health information.

- **Access and copies:** You may ask for an electronic or paper copy of your medical record and request a list of certain disclosures of your health information.
- **Corrections and restrictions:** You may ask us to correct information you believe is wrong or incomplete, limit certain uses or disclosures, and request confidential communications.
- **Copies, complaints, and representatives:** You may receive a paper copy of this notice, choose someone legally authorized to act for you, and file a privacy complaint without retaliation.

How We May Use or Share Your Information

We may use and disclose protected health information for treatment, payment, and health care operations. This includes medical care, mental health services, care coordination, referrals, billing, quality improvement, staff training, and operating our health center.

When Your Permission Is Needed

Most uses beyond treatment, payment, health care operations, and other uses allowed by law require your written authorization. This includes most marketing, sale of health information, certain sensitive records, and uses of psychotherapy notes when applicable. You may revoke an authorization in writing when allowed by law.

Other Uses Allowed or Required by Law

We may share information for public health and safety, reporting required by law, health oversight, legal proceedings, law enforcement when permitted, research allowed by law, workers'

compensation, and to prevent a serious threat to health or safety.

Our Responsibilities Under HIPAA

We are required by law to protect your health information. We must maintain the privacy and security of your information, follow this notice, notify you if a breach may have compromised your information, honor the rights described here, and apply these protections consistently across medical and mental health services.

Mental Health, Sensitive, and Substance Use Disorder Records

Behavioral health, mental health, and substance use disorder information may receive additional privacy protections under federal and state law. If records are protected by 42 CFR Part 2, we will use and disclose them only as permitted or required by law.

Questions, Copies, or Complaints

You may ask questions, request a copy of this notice, or file a privacy complaint with our office. You may also file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. We will not deny care or retaliate against you for filing a complaint.

For more information, please contact the front desk.

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