

Patient Privacy Notice

Summit Medical Centers

Effective April 14, 2003

In accordance with the Federal Privacy Law (HIPAA), Summit Medical Centers keeps medical information and records confidential and will only use them for patient treatment, health care operations, and billing purposes.

TREATMENT: Our physicians, clinicians, and staff will use your medical information to give you the best possible care.

HEALTH CARE OPERATION: Summit Medical Centers will use this information for appropriate follow-up care, patient notification, statistical & regulatory requirements, and internal quality assurance programs.

BILLING PURPOSES: Summit Medical Centers will use your medical information to bill the appropriate third party(ies) for your care.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WITH EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

1. Health information will be given to family members in case of an emergency or under other circumstances with proper authorization and documentation.
2. Health information may be given to other physicians or institutions under emergency situations.
3. Information may be given to proper authorities when neglect or abuse is alleged or suspected.
4. Information may be provided to courts or other agencies when a subpoena is given to this office.

I understand that if I have any questions I can speak to a Summit Medical Centers Privacy Officer.

I understand and agree to the above Privacy Policy:

Patient Signature

Date/Time

Patient Name – Printed

Witness