

Additional Notice to Residents of

South Carolina

Disclosure-Prescription Information Privacy Act

We will not disclose your prescription drug information without first obtaining your consent, except in the following circumstances:

- (a) the lawful transmission of a prescription drug order in accordance with state and federal laws pertaining to the practice of pharmacy;
- (b) communications among licensed practitioners, pharmacists and other health care professionals who are providing or have provided services to you;
- (c) information gained as a result of a person requesting informational material from a prescription drug or device manufacturer or vendor;
- (d) information necessary to effect the recall of a defective drug or device or protect the health and welfare of an individual or the public;
- (e) information whereby the release is mandated by other state or federal laws, court order, or subpoena or regulations (*e.g.*, accreditation or licensure requirements);
- (f) information necessary to adjudicate or process payment claims for health care, if the recipient makes no further use or disclosure of the information;
- (g) information voluntarily disclosed by you to entities outside of the provider-patient relationship;
- (h) information used in clinical research monitored by an institutional review board, with your written authorization;
- (i) information which does not identify you by name, or that is encoded so that identifying you by name or address is generally not possible, and that is used for epidemiological studies, research, statistical analysis, medical outcomes, or pharmaco-economic research;
- (j) information transferred in connection with the sale of a business;
- (k) information necessary to disclose to third parties in order to perform quality assurance programs, medical records review, internal audits or similar programs, if the third party makes no other use or disclosure of the information;
- (l) information that may be revealed to a party who obtains a dispensed prescription on your behalf; or

(m) information necessary in order for a health plan licensed by the South Carolina Department of Insurance to perform case management, utilization management, and disease management for individuals enrolled in the health plan, if the third party makes no other use or disclosure of the information.

Disclosure – Pharmacist-Specific

We will not disclose your information or the nature of professional pharmacy services rendered to you, without your express consent or the order or direction of a court, except to:

- (a) you, or your agent, or another pharmacist acting on your behalf;
- (b) the practitioner who issued the prescription drug order;
- (c) certified/licensed health care personnel who are responsible for your care;
- (d) an inspector, agent or investigator from the Board of Pharmacy or any federal, state, county, or municipal officer whose duty is to enforce the laws of South Carolina or the United States relating to drugs or devices and who is engaged in a specific investigation involving a designated person or drug; and
- (e) a government agency charged with the responsibility of providing medical care for you upon written request by an authorized representative of the agency requesting the information.