



Medcorps Asthma & Pulmonary - Medical Records Release

FAX: 1-844-883-0058

DATE OF REQUEST: _____

In accordance with HIPAA continuity of patient care and TPO allowable disclosures, we request this patient's records for their upcoming appointment. The information furnished will kept as part of our patient's confidential medical records.

Name: _____ DOB: _____ Appointment Date _____

Please send the last 2 office notes available. Also send, if available, the last chest X-ray or other chest imaging, pulmonary function tests, sleep tests, allergy test.

Treatment, Payment, Health Care Operations (TPO)

To avoid interfering with an individual's access to quality health care or the efficient payment for such health care, HIPAA permits a covered entity to use and disclose protected health information, with certain limits and protections, for treatment, payment, and health care operations activities. The use and disclosure of PHI for purposes of TPO is allowed without a specific authorization from the patient. Treatment means the provision, coordination and management of health care and related services by one or more health care providers. Examples of treatment include consultation between health care providers regarding a patient or referral of a patient to another provider for health care. Payment includes activities undertaken by a provider to obtain reimbursement for health care services. And by a health plan to determine eligibility for coverage and/or provide benefits. Health Care Operations encompass a variety of activities of a covered entity including, but not limited to, quality assessment and improvement, outcome evaluation and development of clinical guidelines, reviewing competence, qualifications, and performance of health care professionals, conducting health care practitioner training programs, accreditation, certification, licensing and credentialing. Note: Use and disclosure of PHI for research purposes requires either a Waiver of Authorization from the IRB or written authorization from the patient. TPO excludes uses and disclosures of PHI for research.