

Health Information Notice

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THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED, AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

This Notice tells you about the ways in which Eldridge Wealth Solutions, Inc. (referred to as "the Company") may collect, use, and disclose your Protected Health Information, and your rights concerning your Protected Health Information. "Protected health information" is information about you, including demographic information, that can reasonably be used to identify you and that relates to your past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition, the provision of health care to you, or the payment for that care. Protected Health Information also includes your genetic information as defined in Section 201 of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008.

The Company is required by federal and state laws to provide you with this Notice about your rights and our legal duties and privacy practices with respect to your Protected Health Information. We must follow the terms of this Notice while it is in effect. Some of the uses and disclosures described in this Notice may be limited in certain cases by applicable state laws that are more stringent than the federal standards.

HOW WE MAY USE AND DISCLOSE YOUR PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

The Company may use and disclose your Protected Health Information for different purposes. The examples below are provided to illustrate the types of uses and disclosures we may make without your authorization for payment, health care operations, and treatment.

- **Payment.** We use and disclose your Protected Health Information in order to pay for your covered health expenses. For example, we may use your Protected Health Information to process claims or be reimbursed by another insurer that may be responsible for payment.
- **Health Care Operations.** We use and disclose your Protected Health Information in order to perform our planned activities, such as quality assessment activities or administrative activities, including data management or customer service. In some cases, we may use or disclose the information for determining health care insurance premiums.
- **Treatment.** We may use and disclose your Protected Health Information to assist your health care providers (doctors, mental health practitioners, pharmacies, hospitals, ambulance services, and others) in your diagnosis and treatment. For example, we may disclose your Protected Health Information to providers to provide information about alternative treatments.
- **Plan Sponsor.** If you are enrolled through a group health plan, we may provide enrollment/disenrollment information and summaries of claims and expenses for enrollees in a group health plan to the plan sponsor, who may also be an employer.
- **Enrolled Dependents and Family Members.** We will mail explanation of benefits forms and other mailings containing Protected Health Information to the address we have on record for the subscriber of the health plan.

OTHER PERMITTED OR REQUIRED DISCLOSURES

- **As Required by Law.** We must disclose Protected Health Information about you when required to do so by law.
- **Public Health Activities.** We may disclose Protected Health Information to public health agencies for reasons such as preventing or controlling disease, injury, or disability.
- **Victims of Abuse, Neglect, or Domestic Violence.** We may disclose Protected Health Information to government agencies about abuse, neglect, or domestic violence.
- **Health Oversight Activities.** We may disclose Protected Health Information to government oversight agencies (e.g., state insurance departments) for activities authorized by law.
- **Judicial and Administrative Proceedings.** We may disclose Protected Health Information in response to a court or administrative order. We may also disclose Protected Health Information about you in certain cases in response to a subpoena, discovery request, or other lawful process.
- **Law Enforcement.** We may disclose Protected Health Information under limited circumstances to a law enforcement official in response to a warrant or similar process; to identify or locate a suspect; or to provide information about the victim of a crime.
- **Coroners, Funeral Directors, Organ Donation.** We may release Protected Health Information to coroners or funeral directors as necessary to allow them to carry out their duties. We may also disclose Protected Health Information in connection with organ or tissue donation.
- **Research.** Under certain circumstances, we may disclose Protected Health Information about you for research purposes, provided certain measures have been taken to protect your privacy.
- **To Avert a Serious Threat to Health or Safety.** We may disclose Protected Health Information about you, with some limitations, when necessary to prevent a serious threat to your health and safety or the health and safety of the public or another person.
- **Special Government Functions.** We may disclose information as required by military authorities or to authorized federal officials for national security and intelligence activities.
- **Workers' Compensation.** We may disclose Protected Health Information to the extent necessary to comply with state law for workers' compensation programs.
- **Health Information That Is Not Protected.** We may disclose health information about you that is not "Protected Health Information;" that is, information used in a way that does not personally identify you or reveal who you are.

OTHER USES OR DISCLOSURES WITH AN AUTHORIZATION

Other uses or disclosures of your Protected Health Information not described above, including, but not limited to, uses or disclosures for marketing purposes and the sale of Protected Health Information, as well as for most disclosures of psychotherapy notes, will only be made with your written authorization. You may revoke written authorization at any time, so long as the revocation is in writing. Once we receive your written revocation, it will only be effective for future uses and disclosures. It will not be effective for any information that may have been used or disclosed in reliance upon the written authorization and prior to receiving your written revocation.

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER RECORDS

The rules described in this paragraph become effective February 16, 2026. If we receive substance use disorder records created by a federally assisted program or health care provider under 42 CFR Part 2, we may not use or disclose those records, or testimony relaying the content of those records, in any civil, criminal, administrative, or legislative proceedings against you unless based on your specific written consent or a court order. We may only use or disclose records based on a court order after: (1) a notice and an opportunity to be heard is provided to you or the holder of the record, where required by 42 CFR Part 2; and (2) the court order is accompanied by a subpoena or other similar legal requirement compelling the disclosure. We generally may only use or disclose substance use disorder records in accordance with the written consent you provided to the Part 2 program or provider. If, however, those records were disclosed to us with your written consent for treatment, payment and health care operations, we may further disclose the records for these purposes without obtaining an additional written consent.

PROHIBITED DISCLOSURES

The use or disclosure of genetic Protected Health Information for underwriting purposes is prohibited. Underwriting purposes are broadly defined to include rules for eligibility, enrollment, cost sharing, computation of deductible or premium or contribution amounts and incentives for completing health risk assessments and/or participating in wellness programs, as well as activities related to the creation, renewal or replacement of health insurance or health benefits.

YOUR RIGHTS REGARDING YOUR PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

You have certain rights regarding Protected Health Information that we maintain about you.

- **Right to Access Your Protected Health Information.** You have the right to review or obtain copies of your Protected Health Information records, with some limited exceptions. Usually the records include enrollment, billing, claims payment, or case/medical management records. Your request to review and/or obtain a copy of your Protected Health Information records must be made in writing. We may charge a fee for the costs of producing, copying, and mailing your requested information, but we will tell you the cost in advance.
- **Right to Amend Your Protected Health Information.** If you feel that Protected Health Information maintained by us is incorrect or incomplete, you may request that we amend the information. Your request must be made in writing and must include the reason you are seeking a change. We may deny your request if, for example, you ask us to amend information that was not created by us, or if you ask to amend a record that is already accurate and complete.
- **Your Rights if a Request Is Denied.** If we deny your request to amend your Protected Health Information, we will notify you in writing. You then have the right to submit to us a written statement of disagreement with our decision and we have the right to disagree with that statement.
- **Right to an Accounting of Disclosures Made by Us.** You have the right to request an accounting of disclosures we have made of your Protected Health Information. The list will not include our disclosures related to your treatment, to payment, to health care operations, or disclosures made to you or with your authorization. The list may also exclude certain other disclosures, such as for national security purposes. Your request for an accounting of disclosures must be made in writing and must state a time for which you want an accounting. This time period may not be longer than six years and may not include dates before April 14, 2004. Your request should indicate in what form you want to receive the list (for example, on paper or electronically). The first accounting that you request within a 12-month period will be free. For additional lists within the same time period, we may charge for providing the accounting but we will tell you the cost in advance.
- **Right to Request Restrictions on the Use and Disclosure of Your Protected Health Information.** You have the right to request that we restrict or limit how we use or disclose your Protected Health Information for treatment, payment, or health care operations. We may not agree to your request. If we do agree, we will comply with your request unless the information is needed for an emergency. You may also restrict access to your Protected Health Information if you pay for medical services in full, outside of the plan. Your request for a restriction must be made in writing. In your request, you must tell us (1) what information you want to limit; (2) whether you want to limit how we use or disclose your information, or both; and (3) to whom you want the restrictions to apply.
- **Right to Receive Confidential Communications.** You have the right to request that we use a certain method to communicate with you, such as paper or electronic communication, or that we send information to a certain location if the communication could endanger you. Your request to receive confidential communications must be made in writing. Your request must clearly state that all or part of the communication from us could endanger you. We will accommodate all reasonable requests. Your request must specify how or where you wish to be contacted.
- **Right to Notice of Breach.** You have the right to be notified of any breach of your Protected Health Information, except the unintentional access or use of information that does not meet the definition of "breach" pursuant to applicable guidance from the Department of Health and Human Services.
- **Right to a Paper Copy of This Notice.** You have a right at any time to request a paper copy of this Notice, even if you had previously agreed to receive an electronic copy.
- **Contact Information for Exercising Your Rights.** You may exercise any of the rights described above by contacting our Privacy Officer. See the end of this Notice for the contact information.

HEALTH INFORMATION SECURITY

The Company requires its employees to follow security policies and procedures that limit access to health information to those employees who need it to perform their responsibilities. In addition, the Company maintains physical, administrative, and technical security measures to safeguard your Protected Health Information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Company is required by law to maintain the privacy of your Protected Health Information and to provide individuals with notice of its legal duties and privacy practices with respect to Protected Health Information. The Company is required to abide by the terms of the Notice currently in effect.

CHANGES TO THIS NOTICE

We reserve the right to change the terms of this Notice at any time, effective for Protected Health Information that we already have about you as well as any information that we receive in the future. We will provide you with a copy of the new Notice whenever we make a material change to the privacy practices described in this Notice. We also post a copy of our current Notice on our intranet website. Any time we make a material change to this Notice, we will promptly revise and post the new Notice with the new effective date.

COMPLAINTS

If you believe that your privacy rights have been violated, you may file a complaint with us and/or the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. All complaints to the Company must be made in writing and sent to the privacy official listed at the end of this Notice. We support your right to protect the privacy of your Protected Health Information. We will not retaliate against you or penalize you for filing a complaint.

CONTACT SECURITY BENEFIT

If you have any complaints or questions about this Notice or you want to submit a written request to the Company as required in any of the previous sections of this Notice, please contact:

Eldridge Wealth Solutions, Inc.

Privacy Officer

One Security Benefit Place

Topeka, Kansas 66636-0001

Phone: [785.438.3172](tel:785.438.3172)

You may also contact:

Centralized Case Management Operations

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

200 Independence Avenue, S.W.

Room 509F HHH Bldg.

Washington, D.C. 20201

Phone: [1.877.696.6775](tel:1.877.696.6775)

Email: OCRComplaint@hhs.gov

Website: <https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/filing-a-complaint/index.html>

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