LETTER TO PARENTS
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT FREE AND REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEALS

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. West Plains School offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs $1.90; lunch costs $2.95. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is $0.30 for breakfast and $0.40 for lunch. This packet includes an application for free or reduced price meal benefits, and a set of detailed instructions. Below are some common questions and answers to help you with the application process.

1. **WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?**
   - All children in households receiving benefits from the Food Stamp Program/Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FPDIR) or Temporary Assistance/Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), are eligible for free meals.
   - Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
   - Children participating in their school’s Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
   - Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.
   - Children may receive free or reduced price meals if your household’s income is within the limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Your children may qualify for free or reduced price meals if your household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.

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<td>For each add’l person add</td>
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2. **HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY?** Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven’t been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail Dr. Amy Ross, homeless liaison or migrant coordinator at 417-256-6150 Ext 4576 or amyross@zizzers.org.

3. **DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD?** No. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. If you have a high school student and students that attend in a rural K-8 district, you will need to fill out 2 applications. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to Jodie McKinney 610 E. Olden St, West Plains, Mo. 65775.

4. **SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE ALREADY APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS?** No, but please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. If any children in your household were missing from your eligibility notification, contact Jodie McKinney 610 East Olden, West Plains, Mo. 65775, 417-256-6155 or jodie.mckinney@zizzers.org immediately.

5. **MY CHILD’S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT A NEW ONE?** Yes. Your child’s application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.

6. **I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please send in an application.

7. **WILL THE INFORMATION I GAVE BE CHECKED?** Yes. We may also ask you to send written proof of the household income you report.

8. **IF I DON’T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?** Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
9. WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION? You should talk to school officials. You may also ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: Dr. Wesley Davis 610 E. Olden, West Plains, Mo. 65775, 417-256-6155

10. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN? Yes. You, your children, or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens to apply for free or reduced price meals.

11. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make $1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made $900, put down that you made $1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

12. WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT? Household members may not receive some types of income we ask you to report on the application, or may not receive income at all. Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. However, if any income fields are left empty or blank, those will also be counted as zeroes. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, as we will assume you meant to do so.

13. WE ARE IN THE MILITARY, DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY? Your basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. If you get any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, or receive Family Subsistence Supplemental Allowance payments, it must also be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. Any additional combat pay resulting from deployment is also excluded from income.

14. WHAT IF THERE ISN'T ENOUGH SPACE ON THE APPLICATION FOR MY FAMILY? List any additional household members on a separate piece of paper, and attach it to your application. Contact Jodie McKinney 610 E. Olden, West Plains, Mo. 65775, 417-256-6155 or jodie.mckinney@stizzers.org to receive a second application.

15. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR? To find out how to apply for the Food Stamp Program/SNAP or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 1-855-373-4636.

If you have other questions or need help, call 417-256-6155

Sincerely,

Dr. Wesley Davis
Director of Student Services
610 E. Olden St.
West Plains, Mo. 65775
417-256-6150 Ext. 4511

USDA Non-discrimination Statement:

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

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(1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

(2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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**How do I report my income?**

**Step 1: Report Income for All Household Members**

1. **GO TO STEP 4: 374-695.**
   - If you have any other children, move to the next question.
   - If you have no other children, move to the next question.

2. **LEAVE STEP 2, GO TO STEP 3:**
   - If you have any children, move to the next question.
   - If you have no children, move to the next question.

**Risk of Dependent:**

- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

**More than one Household:**

- If you have any children, move to the next question.
- If you have no children, move to the next question.

**Step 2: Do Any Household Members Currently Participate in SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR?**

- Students attending [Building Name] (grade level, if applicable) who meet the criteria listed in this section may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals.
- Additional children:
  - Students attending [Building Name] who meet the criteria listed in this section may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

**Step 3: List All Household Members, Including All Students living in Your Household, Up to and Including Grade 12**

**Please use a pen (not a pencil) when filling out this application and do your best to print clearly.**

**Contact West Plains School District:**

- Phone: (417) 256-6155
- Medicaid@zenzee.com

Follow these instructions in order to complete the application. Please do not sign your application until you have reviewed and corrected all information. Please follow these instructions to help fill out the application correctly. If any time you are not sure what to do next, please contact West Plains School District for assistance.

Please use these instructions to help fill out the application for free or reduced-price school meals. You only need to submit one application per household, even if you have more than one child enrolled in West Plains School District.
### Step 4: Contact Information and Adult Signature

Provide the name of the principal or the administrative unit within the public school district that is overseeing the application process. If you are a principal, the principal’s signature should be included. The contact information should include the name and address of the individual or organization that is responsible for the application.

### 3. Report Income Earned by Adults

- **Report all sources of income that is included in the household income.**
- **Include all adults in the household.**
- **Include all children in the household.**
- **Include all income earned by children.**
- **Include all income earned by adults.**

### 4. Report Income Earned by Children

- **Include all income earned by children.**
- **Include all income earned by adults.**

### 5. Contact Information

Include the name and address of the principal or the administrative unit within the public school district that is overseeing the application process. If you are a principal, the principal’s signature should be included. The contact information should include the name and address of the individual or organization that is responsible for the application.

### Additional Notes

- **Include all income earned by children.**
- **Include all income earned by adults.**

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*Information follows on the reverse side.*
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<td>- Earnings from work</td>
<td>- A child has a regular full or part-time job where they earn a salary or wages</td>
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<td>- Social Security</td>
<td>- A child is blind or disabled and receives Social Security benefits</td>
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<td>- Disability Payments</td>
<td>- A parent is disabled, retired, or deceased, and their child receives Social Security benefits</td>
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<td>- Survivor’s Benefits</td>
<td>- A child receives regular income from a private pension fund, annuity, or trust</td>
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<td>- Income from person outside the household</td>
<td>- A friend or extended family member regularly gives a child spending money</td>
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<td>- Income from any other source</td>
<td>- A child receives regular income from a private pension fund, annuity, or trust</td>
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### Sources of Income for Adults

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<td>- Salary, wages, cash bonuses</td>
<td>- Unemployment benefits</td>
<td>- Social Security (including railroad retirement and blind benefits)</td>
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<td>- Net income from self-employment (farm or business)</td>
<td>- Worker’s compensation</td>
<td>- Private pensions or disability benefits</td>
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<td>- Supplemental Security income (SSI)</td>
<td>- Cash assistance from State or local government</td>
<td>- Regular income from trusts or estates</td>
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<td>If you are in the U.S. Military:</td>
<td>- Alimony payments</td>
<td>- Annuities</td>
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<td>- Basic pay and cash bonuses (do NOT include combat pay, FSSA, or privatized housing allowances)</td>
<td>- Child support payments</td>
<td>- Investment income</td>
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<td>- Allowances for base housing, food, and clothing</td>
<td>- Veteran’s benefits</td>
<td>- Earned income</td>
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<td>- Social Security benefits</td>
<td>- Strike benefits</td>
<td>- Rental income</td>
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### Children’s Racial and Ethnic Identities

We are required to ask for information about your children’s race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals. If ethnicity/race is not selected, a visual identification will be determined.

**Ethnicity (check one):**
- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

**Race (check one or more):**
- ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- ☐ White

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced-price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced-price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

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1. mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
   Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
   1400 Independence Avenue, SW
   Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

2. fax: (202) 690-7442;

3. email: program.intake@usda.gov

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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

(Complete one form per family)

Please answer the question below by checking the appropriate box. The following information is a request adopted by the General Assembly in 2010 requiring school districts to determine whether or not all children in a family have health insurance.

Does each child in your family have healthcare insurance?

☐ YES

☐ NO

MO HealthNet (Medicaid) is considered healthcare insurance.

If NO is checked the school district will provide the Does Your Child Need Healthcare Coverage form for the family.

Completion of this form is not a condition of determining meal eligibility. The Free and Reduced Price Meals Family Application will be reviewed regardless of your response to this Request for Information.

Submit this request with your Free and Reduced Price School Meals Family Application or return to your school/school district.

Printed name of parent/guardian: _____________________________________________________

Mailing Address:

City: ___________________________________________ State: __________ Zip Code: ________

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, or disability in its programs and activities. Inquiries related to Department programs and to the location of services, activities, and facilities that are accessible by persons with disabilities may be directed to the Jefferson State Office Building, Office of the General Counsel, Coordinator – Civil Rights Compliance (Title VI/Title IX/504/ADA/Age Act), 6th Floor, 205 Jefferson Street, P.O. Box 480, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0480, telephone number 573-526-4757 or TTY 800-735-2966; email: civilrights@dese.mo.gov.
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APPLICATION FOR DENTAL SERVICES

Parents/Guardians: Please fill out the information requested as completely as possible for each child that you would like to be seen by the Tooth Truck for dental services at their school. If you need assistance filling out this form or have questions, please contact the school nurse.

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<td>Child's Name: ___________________________ Date of Birth: <em><strong>/</strong></em>/____ [ ] Male [ ] Female</td>
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<td>Parent/Guardian Name(s): ________________ Relation to Patient: __________________________</td>
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<td>Phone Number: _______________ 2nd Phone: _______________ email: __________________________</td>
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<td>Emergency Contact Name &amp; Relation: _______________ Phone Number: ______________________</td>
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<td>Child's Social Security Number (if known): _______________ Child's Medicaid Number (if known): ______________________</td>
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<td>Does your child have insurance through the state (Medicaid/ MoHealthNet/ Managed Care)? [ ] Yes [ ] No</td>
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<td>Does your child have private dental insurance through a parent/guardian's employer? [ ] Yes [ ] No</td>
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<td>Is your child eligible for the free/reduced school lunch program? [ ] Yes [ ] No</td>
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<td>Is the child having any dental-related pain or concerns? [ ] Yes [ ] No</td>
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<td>If yes, please explain: ________________________________________________</td>
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<td>Has the child seen a dentist in the last 12 months? [ ] Yes [ ] No</td>
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<td>If yes, approximate date of last dental visit: _______________ Name of Office: ______________________</td>
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ATENCION: Si habla espanol, tiene a su disposicion servicios gratuitos de asistencia linguistica. Llame al 417-891-1238

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch Sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 417-891-1238
### MEDICAL INFORMATION

Does your child have any medical condition(s) that may affect or complicate dental treatment?

This may include **HEART, BREATHING, BLEEDING, SEIZURE, BEHAVIORAL, ALLERGIES, COMMUNICABLE DISEASE, and/or IMMUNE DISORDERS.**

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

If yes, please explain:

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Have you ever been told that your child needs to take an antibiotic prior to dental treatment?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Please list any other medical or behavioral items that our staff should know about to best provide dental care to your child:

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### PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FOR DENTAL TREATMENT

I give consent for my child to receive dental treatment deemed necessary by the providers of The Tooth Truck, Inc. These procedures include, but are not limited to: dental examinations, radiographs (x-rays), cleanings, fluoride varnish, protective sealants of healthy teeth, restorations of decayed or broken teeth (white composite fillings and silver crowns), extraction of baby teeth (due to decay, abscess, or permanent tooth eruption), silver spacers, root canal treatment of severely decayed permanent teeth, and the use of local anesthetics (localized numbing of a section of the mouth). I understand that all dental treatment with anesthetic (numbing) carries a small risk for swelling, bruising, allergic reaction, changes in pain perception, or prolonged anesthesia. This consent shall be considered in effect for one year from the date signed.

If my child has active state dental insurance (Medicaid, MOHealthNet or a Managed Care program), I consent and authorize The Tooth Truck, Inc to file and collect reimbursement for dental services performed.

Child's Printed Name: ____________________________________  Child's School/Program: ____________________

Procedure(s) that Parent/Guardian does NOT consent to: ______________________________________________________

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Are you the legal guardian of the child?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Are you authorized to sign for Medical Treatment for the child?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Signature of Parent/Guardian: ___________________________  Date Signed: ________________

### PHOTO CONSENT AND RELEASE

I have read the Photo Consent and Release on page 3 of this form and have indicated my choice below.

Photos may be taken of my child

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

Signature of Parent/Guardian: ___________________________  Date Signed: ________________

### NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICE

I have read and understand the release of health information on page 3-4 of this form. My signature indicates my consent to release health information as specified.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: ___________________________  Date Signed: ________________
PHOTO CONSENT AND RELEASE

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and for and on behalf and in the name of the child(ren), I hereby consent to the unrestricted use by Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Ozarks, Inc. and The Tooth Truck, Inc. of the Child(ren)'s and our (parents) names, address, and statements, and all video or audio recordings (including, but not limited to, photographs, video tapes, voice recording or other representations of our family) taken of our family and any reproduction thereof in any form, style or color whatsoever, together with any writing and/or materials in connection therewith (including, without limitation, any correspondence from our family to Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Ozarks, Inc., The Tooth Truck, Inc. or McDonald's Corporation or anyone affiliated with either organization) for purposes of publicizing the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile of the Ozarks.

For and on behalf and in the name of the family, I hereby release Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Ozarks, Inc., The Tooth Truck, Inc. and McDonald's Corporation and their respective affiliates, franchises, officers, directors, trustees, employees, volunteers, agents, and all other parties interest from any and all present or future claims, damages or causes of action for libel, slander, invasion of privacy or any other claim that the family may have arising out of, resulting from, or in connection with, such use.
I hereby represent that I have read and understand this consent and release is given freely without limitation upon, or liability for, any use in connection with publicizing the Tooth Truck (Ronald McDonald Care Mobile of the Ozarks).

Signature line on page 2

The Tooth Truck, Inc. d/b/a Ronald McDonald Care Mobile® of the Ozarks

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICE

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. THE PRIVACY OF YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT TO US.

OUR LEGAL DUTY
We are required by applicable federal and state law to maintain the privacy of your health information. We are also required to give you this Notice about our privacy practices, our legal duties and your rights concerning your health information. We must follow the privacy practices that are described in this Notice while it is in effect. This Notice takes effect September 1, 2013 and will remain in effect until we replace it.
We reserve the right to change our privacy practices and applicable law permits the terms of this Notice to be changed at any time. We reserve the right to make the changes in our privacy practices and the new terms of our Notice effective for all health information that we maintain, including health information we created or received before we made the changes. Before we make a significant change in our privacy practices we will change this Notice and make the new Notice available upon request.
You may request a copy of our Notice at any time. For more information about our privacy practices or for additional copies of this Notice please contact us using the information listed at the end of this Notice.

USES AND DISCLOSURES OF HEALTH INFORMATION
We use and disclose health information about you for treatment, payment and health operations.
Examples are:
Treatment: We may use or disclose your health information to a physician or other healthcare provider providing treatment to you.

Payment: We may use and disclose your health information to obtain payment for services we provide to you.

Healthcare Operations: We may use and disclose your health information in connection with our healthcare operations. Healthcare operations include quality assessment and improvement activities, reviewing the competence or qualifications of healthcare professionals, evaluating practitioner and provider performance, conducting training programs, accreditation, certification, licensing or credentialing activities. We are obligated to notify you in the event of a breach of unsecured Protected Health Information (PHI).

Your Authorizations: In addition to our use of your health information for treatment, payment or healthcare operations, you may give us written authorization to use your health information or to disclose it to anyone for any purpose. If you give us written authorization, you may revoke it in writing at any time. Your revocation will not affect any use or disclosures permitted by your authorization while it was in effect. Unless you give us a written authorization, we cannot use or disclose your health information for any reason except described in this Notice. You have a right to an electronic copy of your records. You may request a copy at any time. In the event you pay in full for a service out of pocket, you now have the right to request that we do not disclose treatment information for this service to a health plan.

To Your Family and Friends: We must disclose your health information to you as described in the Patient Rights section of this Notice. We may disclose your health information to a family member, friend or other person to the extent necessary to help with your healthcare or with payment for your healthcare, but only if you agree that we may do so.

Persons Involved In Care: We may use or disclose health information to notify or assist in the notification of (including identifying or locating) a family member, your personal representative or another person responsible for your care of your location, your general condition, or death. If you are present then prior to use or disclosure of your health information, we will provide you with an opportunity to object to such uses or disclosures. In the event of your incapacity or emergency circumstances, we will disclose health information based on a determination using our professional judgment disclosing only health information that is directly relevant to the person’s involvement in your healthcare. We will also use our professional judgment and our experience with common practice to make reasonable inferences of your best interest in allowing a person to pick up filled prescriptions, medical supplies, x-rays, or other similar forms of health information.

Marketing Health-Related Services: We will not use your Protected Health Information (PHI) for marketing purposes without your written authorization. We may use your PHI for fundraising purposes; however, you have the right to opt out by informing us in writing.

Required by Law: We may use or disclose your health information when we are required to do so by law.

Abuse or Neglect: We may disclose your health information to appropriate authorities if we reasonably believe that you are a possible victim of abuse, neglect or domestic violence or the possible victim of other crimes. We may disclose your health information to the extent necessary to avert a serious threat to your health or safety, or the health or safety of others.

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