



Summary Notices of Privacy Practices

Dear Front Range Orthopedic Surgery Center Patient,

This Privacy Notice is being provided to you as a requirement of a federal law, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). It is the policy of Front Range Orthopedic Surgery Center to comply with the federal regulations regarding HIPAA. We strongly believe in protecting the confidentiality and security of your health information.

- 1. THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.** The notice is provided in two sections. This page briefly summarizes how we handle your health information, and the section found in your packet provides further details of our privacy policies and procedures.
- 2. How we may use and disclose your health information.** We use health information about you for treatment, to get paid for treatment, for administrative purposes, and to evaluate the quality of care that you receive. For example, your health information may be shared with other providers to whom you are referred. Information may be shared by paper, mail, electronic mail, fax, or other methods. We may use or disclose your health information without your authorization for several reasons. But beyond those situations, we will ask for your written authorization before using or disclosing your health information. If you sign and authorization to disclose information, you can later revoke it to stop any future uses and disclosures.
- 3. Your rights.** In most cases, you have the right to look at or get a copy of your health information that we use to make decisions about you. If you request copies, we may charge you a cost-based fee. You also have the right to request a list of certain types of disclosures of your information that we have made. If you believe your health information is incorrect or information is missing, you have the right to request that we correct the existing information or add the missing information.
- 4. Our legal duty.** We are required by law to protect the privacy of your health information, provide this notice about our privacy practices, follow the privacy practices that are described in this notice, and seek your acknowledgement of receipt of this notice. We may change our privacy policies at any time. Before we make a significant change to our policies, we will change our notice and post the new notice in our waiting area. You can also request a copy of our notice at any time. For more information about our privacy policies, contact the person listed below.
- 5. Privacy complaints.** If you are concerned that we have violated your privacy rights, our privacy policies, or if you disagree with a decision we made about access to your health information, please contact Vicky Burrack at 720-494-3200. You may also send a written complaint to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. FROSC can provide you with the appropriate address upon request. You may also file a complaint with our accrediting association, AAAHC at 847-853-6060 or Report Medicare Fraud & Abuse at 800-HHS-TIPS (1-800-447-8477)..

Acknowledgement of receipt of Notice of Privacy Practices: Please sign and print your name and provide the date below to acknowledge that you have received both sections of this Notice of Privacy Practices. Then return this acknowledgement of receipt to the receptionist.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____