

HIPAA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONSENT

I understand that Allies in Change Counseling Center will use and disclose health information about me. I understand that my health information both created and received by the practice/facility, may be in the form of written or electronic records or spoken words, and may include information about my health history, health status, symptoms, examinations, test results, diagnoses, treatments, procedures, prescriptions, and similar types of health-related information.

I understand and agree that Allies in Change Counseling Center may use and disclose my health information in order to:

1. make decisions about and plan for my care and treatment:
2. refer to, consult with, coordinate among, and manage along with other health care providers for my care and treatment.
3. determine my eligibility for health plan or insurance coverage, and submit bills, claims and other related information to insurance companies or to others who may be responsible to pay for some of or all of my health care; and
4. perform various office, administrative and business functions that support my practitioner/provider's efforts to provide me with, arrange and be reimbursed for quality, cost effective health care.

I also understand that I have the right to receive and review a written description of how Allies in Change Counseling Center will handle health information about me. This written description is known as a Notice Privacy Practices and describes the uses and disclosures of health information made and the information practices followed by the employees, staff and other office personnel of Allies in Change Counseling Center, and my rights regarding my health information.

I understand that the Notice of Privacy Practices may be revised from time to time, and that I am entitled to receive a copy of any revised Notice of Privacy Practices. I also understand that a copy or summary of the most current version of Allies in Change Counseling Center's Notice of Privacy Practices in effect will be posted in the waiting/reception area.

I understand that I have the right to ask that some or all of my health information not be used or disclosed in the manner described in the Notice of Privacy Practices, and I understand that Allies in Change Counseling Center is not required by law to agree to such requests,

By signing below, I agree that I have reviewed and understand the information above and that I can receive a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices, if I request one.

Client signature

Date