



NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

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.

This Notice of Privacy Practices (“Notice”) applies to Protected Health Information (defined below) associated with Group Health Plans (defined below) provided by [Insert name of Company] to its employees, its employee’s dependents and, as applicable, retired employees. This Notice describes how Stephen F. Kitchen, M.D., collectively we, us, or our employees may use and disclose Protected Health Information to carry out payment and health care operations, and for other purposes that are permitted or required by law.

We are required by the privacy regulations issued under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (“HIPAA”) to maintain the privacy of Protected Health Information and to provide individuals covered under our group health plan with notice of our legal duties and privacy practices concerning Protected Health Information. We are required to abide by the terms of this Notice so long as it remains in effect. We reserve the right to change the terms of this Notice of Privacy Practices as necessary and to make the new Notice effective for all Protected Health Information maintained by us. If we make material changes to our privacy practices, copies of revised notices will be mailed to all policyholders then covered by the Group Health Plan. Copies of our current Notice may be obtained by contacting Stephen F. Kitchen, M.D. at the telephone number or address below, or on our Web site at www.stephenkitchenmd.com .

DEFINITIONS

Group Health Plan means, for purposes of this Notice, the following employee benefits that we provide to our employees, employee dependents and, as applicable, retired employees: [Insert the appropriate coverages you provide which might include major medical coverage, dental coverage, vision coverage, long-term care coverage and any other coverages that you provide that meet the definition of a health plan.

Protected Health Information (“PHI”) means individually identifiable health information, as defined by HIPAA, that is created or received by us and that relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and that identifies the individual or for which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual. PHI includes information of persons living or deceased.