

## CONFIDENTIALITY OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PATIENT RECORDS

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 confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records maintained by this program is protected by federal law and regulations. Generally, the program may not say to a person outside the program that a patient attends the program, or disclose any information identifying a patient or drug abused **UNLESS**:

1. The patient consents in writing;
2. The disclosure is allowed by a court order;
3. The disclosure is made to medical personnel in a medical emergency
4. The disclosure is made to qualified personnel for research, audit, or program audit.
5. Pursuant to an agreement with a qualified service organization/business associate
6. To report a crime committed on The Recovery Center's premises or against The Recovery Center personnel;
7. To avert serious threats to health or safety of a person or the public
8. To appropriate authorities to report suspected child abuse or neglect.

Violation of federal law and regulations by a program is a crime. Suspected violations may be reported to appropriate authorities in accordance with federal regulations.

This information has been disclosed to you from records protected by Federal confidentiality rules (42 CFR Part 2). The Federal rules prohibit you from making any further disclosure of this information unless further disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent of the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by 42 CFR Part 2. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose. The Federal rules restrict any use of the information to criminally investigate or prosecute any alcohol or drug abuse patient"