



Privacy and Your Personal Health Information

Personal health information (“PHI”) is information about you and your health, including:

- your name, date of birth and health card number;
- your physical and mental health, and family medical history; and
- information about tests, diagnoses, procedures and care you have received.

Respecting your privacy is very important to us. The *Health Information Act* is a law that protects your PHI and ensures that health care providers collect, use, disclose and protect your PHI appropriately.

As required by the *Health Information Act*, we will:

- collect your PHI as required to provide you with care or services;
- use your PHI for the purpose of your care and to manage health care programs and services;
- disclose your PHI (share with others) only for the purposes of your care or as required or permitted by law; and
- protect your PHI in all formats (verbal, paper and electronic) using appropriate security measures.

The Health Information Act also ensures that you have rights regarding your PHI, including the rights to:

- withdraw or refuse consent for sharing your PHI with others, except where we are required by law to share it;
- obtain a copy of your chart or file;
- know who has accessed your electronic health record;
- request a correction of PHI that is incorrect; and
- be informed if your PHI is affected by a privacy breach.

If you have any questions about your privacy, please speak with your health care provider or contact the Health PEI Access to Information and Privacy Team at **healthprivacy@ihis.org or (902) 569-7734.**

Further information is available at **HealthPEI.ca/YourPrivacy**

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