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Health Current HIO Notice Distribution Policy

I. Purpose

This Policy explains when a Healthcare Provider is required to give patients the [Health Current Notice of Health Information Practices](#) (the “HIO Notice”).

II. Definitions

Unless otherwise defined in this Policy, all capitalized terms will have the same meaning as provided under HIPAA or in the Health Current Participation Agreement, all as amended from time to time.

Business Associate is defined as it is in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.

Healthcare Provider includes hospitals, physicians and physician practices, behavioral health clinics, nursing homes, ambulatory surgical centers, home health agencies, hospice programs, outpatient rehabilitation facilities, imaging facilities, and pharmacies. Health Current may determine that other types of entities or persons meet the definition of a Healthcare Provider.

HIPAA means the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act and its implementing regulations at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160-164, all as amended from time to time.

III. Applicability

This Policy applies to Health Current and Healthcare Providers.

IV. Health Current Obligations

Health Current is required to maintain a HIO Notice. Health Current will post its current HIO Notice conspicuously on its website. Health Current will also provide an individual with a copy of the HIO Notice within thirty (30) calendar days after Health Current receives a written request for that information from the individual.

V. Healthcare Provider Obligations

A Healthcare Provider is required to provide its patients with the HIO Notice under the following circumstances:

1. The Healthcare Provider (or its Business Associate) makes individually identifiable health information generated or maintained by the Healthcare Provider accessible through the Health Current health information exchange (HIE); or
2. The Healthcare Provider accesses individually identifiable health information directly through the Health Current HIE.

A Healthcare Provider that only indirectly receives individually identifiable health information that originated from the HIE through an accountable care organization (ACO), clinically integrated network (CIN), Health Plan or similar organization (an “Intermediary Organization”) is not required

to distribute the HIO Notice to patients. A Healthcare Provider who makes its individually identifiable health information accessible through the HIE indirectly through an Intermediary Organization must distribute the HIO Notice to patients.

A Healthcare Provider will distribute the HIO Notice and document its distribution as required by A.R.S. § 36-3804. Section 36-3804 governs when and how a Healthcare Provider must distribute and document patient's receipt of the HIO Notice.

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