

# MD Pediatric Associates Privacy Policy

Privacy is an increasingly important issue in today's electronic world, where, with the simple touch of a key, information can be transmitted quickly to a very broad audience. Much public attention is directed toward the protection of patient health information (PHI) because it can be very sensitive in nature. MD Pediatric Associates is committed to protecting patient privacy; we have implemented consistent policies and procedures on how to handle requests for PHI. You have received our **Notice of Privacy Practices**. MDPA will also keep an electronic Medical Record Release Request form that will become part of your permanent medical record. We have implemented tighter controls to reflect emerging regulatory trends, including the HIPAA privacy and security rules and state privacy laws.

For any medical record release request,MDPA will need requestor authentication. HIPAA requires us to obtain verifiable self-identifying information (i.e. social security number or driver's license number) on the person requesting medical records as a new part of our written medical release.

By signing below I indicate that I have been giving a copy of the MDPA **Notice of Privacy Practices** and I understand that I must be prepared to give self-identifying information and a written medical release each time medical information is released from my child's chart (excepting legally permitted releases).

Parent or Legal Guardian:

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Print Name and Relation to Patient

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian:

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