

PATIENT LABEL AREA



COMMITMENT TO PRIVACY & CONFIDENTIALITY

I understand that by virtue of my role as an employee, contractor, observer, intern, volunteer or other authorized individual (collectively "status") with St. Luke's University Health Network, its subsidiaries and/or affiliates (collectively "St. Luke's"), I am considered a member of St. Luke's "workforce", and am required to comply with the policies, procedures, and rules of St. Luke's, including those regarding privacy and confidentiality, as described below.

All members of the workforce are legally and ethically responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of patient protected health information ("PHI"), whether it be verbal, written, or electronic, as required by Federal law, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, and applicable state law. PHI regarding a patient of St. Luke's includes any information acquired in the course of a professional/patient relationship. This includes the fact that an individual is a patient and information contained in the patient's medical or billing record. I understand that I may not discuss such information whether inside or outside of St. Luke's, and whether to another member of St. Luke's workforce or any other party, unless it directly applies to my status at St. Luke's, and I am required to do so. In such an event, I will disclose only the minimum amount of information necessary for a patient's care or to perform my specifically assigned duties. All PHI retrieved from electronic devices must be relevant to my specific responsibilities at St. Luke's and held in strictest confidence. No PHI may be accessed for any reason other than my specifically assigned duties.

I also understand that I may be provided or may have access to information, records or other material which may contain personal, private, or confidential information of individuals or of St. Luke's, the disclosure of which is prohibited by applicable law and/or St. Luke's policies. This information may include, but is not limited to, information and communications regarding the plans, patients, services, markets, developments, strategies, or practices of St. Luke's, and other information that is confidential or proprietary to St. Luke's that St. Luke's wishes to remain private and proprietary (collectively "Confidential Information").

As a condition of my status, I promise and agree that:

- I will take all necessary steps to maintain the privacy and confidentiality of the Confidential Information and PHI both during and after the termination of my status with St. Luke's.
- I will disclose the Confidential Information only to the extent necessary in connection with my status and assignments at St. Luke's and in accordance with St. Luke's policies, as may be amended from time to time, and will only disclose the PHI as specifically described above; I will not otherwise use or disclose the Confidential Information or PHI.
- I will not erase or modify a data record or data entry from any record, report or file, or remove any record, report or file from the site where it is maintained.
- I will not share or reveal the Confidential Information to any individual(s) who does not need to know.
- In addition to the above expectations, I will adhere to any additional or more specific requirement(s) relating to privacy and confidentiality that may be imposed by any applicable law, contract, or policy.

I acknowledge that my willful or unauthorized disclosure of the Confidential Information or PHI either during or after my status terminates with St. Luke's may result in corrective action, up to and including the termination of my status with St. Luke's and may also subject me to any and all applicable criminal or civil penalties.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

