

Patient Privacy Policy

Home Health Agency

Outcome of Assessment Information Set (OASIS)

Statement of Patient Privacy Rights (Medicare/Medicaid)

As a home health patient, you have the privacy rights listed below.

You have the right to know why we need to ask you questions. We are required by law to collect health information to make sure:

- You receive quality health care
- Payment for Medicare and Medicaid patients is correct.

You have the right to have your personal health care information kept confidential. You may be asked to tell us information about yourself so that we know which home health services will be best for you. We keep anything we learn about you confidential. This means only those who are legally authorized to know, or who have a medical need to know, will see your personal health information.

You have the right to refuse to answer questions. We may need your help in collecting your health information. If you choose not to answer, we will fill in the information as best we can. You do not have to answer every question to receive services.

You have the right to look at your personal health information. We know how important it is that the information we collect about you is correct. If you think we made a mistake, ask us to correct it.

If you are not satisfied with our response, you can ask the Health Care Financing Administration, the federal Medicare and Medicaid agency, to correct your information.

You can ask the Health Care Financing Administration to see, review, copy, or correct your personal health information, which that federal agency maintains in its HHA OASIS System of Records.

For Patients Who DO NOT Have Medicare or Medicaid Coverage:

As a home health patient, there are a few things that you need to know about our collection of your personal health care information.

- Federal and State governments oversee home health care to be sure that we furnish quality home health care services and that you, in particular, get quality home health care services.
- We need to ask you questions because we are required by law to collect health information to make sure that you get quality health care services.
- We will make your information anonymous. That way, the Health Care Financing Administration, the federal agency that oversees this home health agency, cannot know the information is about you.
- We keep anything we learn about you confidential.

This is a Medicare & Medicaid Approved Notice.