

Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies

CLIENT/PATIENT SATISFACTION SURVEY

DRX4-11D

Client/patient Name (Optional): _____

City, State: _____ Date: _____

It is our desire to provide you with the best quality home care services available. In order to help us maintain our high standards, please take a few moments to tell us how we are doing. Please complete this form and note the response that most closely matches your experience.

REGARDING Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies	Extremely Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Extremely Dissatisfied
Services/Equipment were provided in a timely manner				
My home care needs were met through the services/equipment provided				
The staff discussed my rights and responsibilities and financial obligations				
The staff informed me how to contact the office during and after hours				
I would utilize/recommend Arfstrom Pharmacies, Inc. to my friends or family				
REGARDING THE STAFF of Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies	Extremely Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Extremely Dissatisfied
The representatives were courteous and professional				
Explanations and instructions offered by representatives were adequate				
All procedures/services were explained prior to performing them				
Equipment was delivered clean and in good working order				
My personal property was treated with respect				

Comments:

Please return the survey to Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies.

Thank you for choosing Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies.

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Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies
CLIENT/PATIENT BILL OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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We believe that all client/patients receiving services from Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies should be informed of their rights. Therefore, you are entitled to:

1. Receive reasonable coordination and continuity of services from the referring agency for home medical equipment services.
2. Receive a timely response from Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies when homecare services/care is needed or requested.
3. Be fully informed in advance about service/care to be provided and any modifications to the Plan of Service/Care.
4. Participate in the development and periodic revision of the Plan of service/care.
5. Informed consent and refusal of service/care or treatment after the consequences of refusing service/care or treatment are fully presented.
6. Be informed in advance of the charges, including payment for service/care expected from third parties and any charges for which the client/patient will be responsible.
7. Have one's property and person treated with respect, consideration, and recognition of client/patient dignity and individuality.
8. Be able to identify visiting staff members through proper identification.
9. Voice grievances/complaints or recommend changes in policy, staff or service/care without restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal.
10. Choose a health care provider.
11. Confidentiality and privacy of all information contained in the client/patient record and of Protected Health Information.
12. Receive appropriate service/care without discrimination in accordance with physician orders.
13. Be informed of any financial benefits when referred to an organization.
14. Be fully informed of one's responsibilities.
15. Be informed of provider service/care limitations.
16. Be informed of client/patient rights under state law to formulate advance care directives.
17. Be informed of anticipated outcomes of service/care and of any barriers in outcome achievement.
18. Receive reasonable coordination and continuity of services from the referring agency for home medical equipment services.
19. Receive a timely response from Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies when homecare services or care are needed or requested.
20. Be fully informed in advance about service or care to be provided, and any modifications to the Plan of Service or the Plan of Care.
21. Participate in the development and periodic revision of the Plan of Service or the Plan of Care.
22. Be free from mistreatment, neglect, or verbal, mental, sexual and physical abuse, including injuries of unknown source, and misappropriation of client/patient property.

CLIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Client agrees that rental equipment will be used with reasonable care, not altered or modified, and returned in good condition (normal wear and tear excepted).
2. Client agrees to promptly report to Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies any malfunctions or defects in rental equipment so that repair/ replacement can be arranged.
3. Client agrees to provide Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies access to all rental equipment for repair/replacement, maintenance, and/or pick-up of the equipment.
4. Client agrees to use the equipment for the purposes so indicated and in compliance with the physician's prescription.
5. Client agrees to keep the equipment in their possession and at the address, to which it was delivered unless otherwise authorized by Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies.

6. **Client agrees to notify Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies of any hospitalization, change in customer insurance, address, telephone number, physician, or when the medical need for the rental equipment no longer exists.**
7. Client agrees to request payment of authorized Medicare, Medicaid, or other private insurance benefits are paid directly to Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies for any services furnished by Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies.
8. Client agrees to accept all financial responsibility for home medical equipment furnished by Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies.
9. Client agrees to pay for the replacement cost of any equipment damaged, destroyed, or lost due to misuse, abuse or neglect.
10. Client agrees not to modify the rental equipment without the prior consent of Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies. Client agrees that any authorized modification shall belong to the titleholder of the equipment unless equipment is purchased and paid for in full.
11. Client agrees that title to the rental equipment and all parts shall remain with Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies at all times unless equipment is purchased and paid for in full.
12. Client agrees that Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies shall not insure or be responsible to the client for any personal injury or property damage related to any equipment; including that caused by use or improper functioning of the equipment; the act or omission of any other third party, or by any criminal act or activity, war, riot, insurrection, fire or act of God.
13. Client understands that Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies retains the right to refuse delivery of service to any client at any time.
14. Client agrees that any legal fees resulting from a disagreement between the parties shall be borne by the unsuccessful party in any legal action taken.

When the client/patient is unable to make medical or other decisions, the family should be consulted for direction.

All staff members will understand and be able to discuss the Client Bill of Rights and Responsibilities with the client/patient and caregiver(s). Each staff member will receive training during orientation and attend an annual in-service education class on the Client Bill of Rights and Responsibilities.

The client/patient and caregiver(s) will also receive a copy of the DMEPOS Supplier Standards, which is included in the Client/Patient Handouts forms. Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies contact information:

Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies
906-632-1923

Arfstrom Pharmacy
Phone Land Line: 906-632-9661
Cellular Line: 906-440-3159

ACHC
1-855-937-2242

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Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies adheres to the following standards as required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service:

Note: This is an abbreviated version of the supplier standards every Medicare DMEPOS supplier must meet in order to obtain and retain their billing privileges. These standards, in their entirety, are listed in 42 C.F.R. 424.57(c).

1. A supplier must be in compliance with all applicable Federal and State licensure and regulatory requirements.
2. A supplier must provide complete and accurate information on the DMEPOS supplier application. Any changes to this information must be reported to the National Supplier Clearinghouse within 30 days.
3. A supplier must have an authorized individual (whose signature is binding) sign the enrollment application for billing privileges.
4. A supplier must fill orders from its own inventory, or contract with other companies for the purchase of items necessary to fill orders. A supplier may not contract with any entity that is currently excluded from the Medicare program, any State health care programs, or any other Federal procurement or non-procurement programs.
5. A supplier must advise beneficiaries that they may rent or purchase inexpensive or routinely purchased durable medical equipment, and of the purchase option for capped rental equipment.
6. A supplier must notify beneficiaries of warranty coverage and honor all warranties under applicable State law, and repair or replace free of charge Medicare covered items that are under warranty.
7. A supplier must maintain a physical facility on an appropriate site and must maintain a visible sign with posted hours of operation. The location must be accessible to the public and staffed during posted hours of business. The location must be at least 200 square feet and contain space for storing records.
8. A supplier must permit CMS or its agents to conduct on-site inspections to ascertain the supplier's compliance with these standards.
9. A supplier must maintain a primary business telephone listed under the name of the business in a local directory or a toll free number available through directory assistance. The exclusive use of a beeper, answering machine, answering service or cell phone during posted business hours is prohibited.
10. A supplier must have comprehensive liability insurance in the amount of at least \$300,000 that covers both the supplier's place of business and all customers and employees of the supplier. If the supplier manufactures its own items, this insurance must also cover product liability and completed operations.
11. A supplier is prohibited from direct solicitation to Medicare beneficiaries. For complete details on this prohibition see 42 CFR § 424.57 (c) (11).
12. A supplier is responsible for delivery of and must instruct beneficiaries on the use of Medicare covered items, and maintain proof of delivery and beneficiary instruction.
13. A supplier must answer questions and respond to complaints of beneficiaries, and maintain documentation of such contacts.
14. A supplier must maintain and replace at no charge or repair cost either directly, or through a service contract with another company, any Medicare-covered items it has rented to beneficiaries.

15. A supplier must accept returns of substandard (less than full quality for the particular item) or unsuitable items (inappropriate for the beneficiary at the time it was fitted and rented or sold) from beneficiaries.
16. A supplier must disclose these standards to each beneficiary it supplies a Medicare-covered item.
17. A supplier must disclose any person having ownership, financial, or control interest in the supplier.
18. A supplier must not convey or reassign a supplier number; i.e., the supplier may not sell or allow another entity to use its Medicare billing number.
19. A supplier must have a complaint resolution protocol established to address beneficiary complaints that relate to these standards. A record of these complaints must be maintained at the physical facility.
20. Complaint records must include: the name, address, telephone number and health insurance claim number of the beneficiary, a summary of the complaint, and any actions taken to resolve it.
21. A supplier must agree to furnish CMS any information required by the Medicare statute and regulations.
22. All suppliers must be accredited by a CMS-approved accreditation organization in order to receive and retain a supplier billing number. The accreditation must indicate the specific products and services, for which the supplier is accredited in order for the supplier to receive payment for those specific products and services (except for certain exempt pharmaceuticals).
23. All suppliers must notify their accreditation organization when a new DMEPOS location is opened.
24. All supplier locations, whether owned or subcontracted, must meet the DMEPOS quality standards and be separately accredited in order to bill Medicare.
25. All suppliers must disclose upon enrollment all products and services, including the addition of new product lines for which they are seeking accreditation.
26. A supplier must meet the surety bond requirements specified in 42 CFR § 424.57 (d).
27. A supplier must obtain oxygen from a state-licensed oxygen supplier.
28. A supplier must maintain ordering and referring documentation consistent with provisions found in 42 CFR § 424.516(f).
29. A supplier is prohibited from sharing a practice location with other Medicare providers and suppliers.
30. A supplier must remain open to the public for a minimum of 30 hours per week except physicians (as defined in section 1848(j) (3) of the Act) or physical and occupational therapists or a DMEPOS supplier working with custom made orthotics and prosthetics.

The products and/or services provided to you by Arfstrom Medical Equipment and Supplies are subject to the supplier standards contained in the Federal regulations shown at 42 Code of Federal Regulations Section 424.57(c). These standards concern business professional and operational matters (e.g. honoring warranties and hours of operation). The full text of these standards can be obtained at <http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov>. Upon request we will furnish you a written copy of the standards.

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At Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies, we want to make sure that your home medical treatment is done conveniently and safely. Many of our client/patients are limited in strength, or unsteady on their feet. Some are wheelchair - or bed-bound. These pages are written to give our client/patients some easy and helpful tips on how to make the home safe for home care.

Fire Safety and Prevention

- Smoke detectors should be installed in your home. Make sure you check the batteries at least once a year.
- If appropriate, you may consider carbon monoxide detectors as well. Ask your local fire department if you should have one in your home.
- Have a fire extinguisher in your home, and have it tested regularly to make sure it is still charged and in working order.
- Have a plan for escape in the event of a fire. Discuss this plan with your family.
- If you use oxygen in your home, make sure you understand the hazards of smoking near oxygen. Review the precautions. If you aren't sure, ask your oxygen provider what they are.
- If you are using electrical medical equipment, make sure to review the instruction sheets for that equipment. Read the section on electrical safety.

Electrical Safety

- Make sure that all medical equipment is plugged into a properly grounded electrical outlet.
- If you have to use a three-prong adapter, make sure it is properly installed by attaching the ground wire to the plug outlet screw.
- Use only good quality outlet "extenders" or "power strips" with internal Circuit breakers. Don't use cheap extension cords.

Safety in the Bathroom

Because of the smooth surfaces, the bathroom can be a very dangerous place, especially for persons who are unsteady.

- Use non-slip rugs on the floor to prevent slipping.
- Install a grab-bar on the shower wall, and non-slip footing strips inside the tub or shower.
- Ask your medical equipment provider about a shower bench you can sit on in the shower.
- If you have difficulty sitting and getting up, ask about a raised toilet seat with arm supports to make it easier to get on and off the commode.
- If you have problems sensing hot and cold, you should consider lowering the temperature setting of your water heater so you don't accidentally scald yourself without realizing it.

Safety in the Bedroom

It's important to arrange a safe, well-planned and comfortable bedroom since a lot of your recuperation and home therapy may occur there.

- Ask your home medical provider about a hospital bed. These beds raise and lower so you can sit up, recline, and adjust your knees. A variety of tables and supports are also available so you can eat, exercise, and read in bed.
- Bed rails may be a good idea, especially if you have a tendency to roll in bed at night.
- If you have difficulty walking, inquire about a bedside commode so you don't have to walk to the bathroom to use the toilet.
- Make sure you can easily reach the light switches, and other important things you might need through the day or night.

- Install night-lights to help you find your way in the dark at night.
- If you are using an IV pole for your IV or enteral therapy, make sure that all furniture, loose carpets, and electrical cords are out of the way so you do not trip and fall while walking with the pole.

Safety in the Kitchen

Your kitchen should be organized so you can easily reach and use the common items, especially during your recuperation while you are still a bit weak:

- Have a friend or health care worker remove all common small appliances and utensils from cabinets, and place them on your counters where you can easily use them.
- Have a chair brought into the kitchen to the counter work area if you have difficulty standing.
- Make sure you are careful lifting pots and pans. Not only might they be hot, but they can be heavy as well. Use padded mitts to firmly grasp pans and pots on both sides.
- Ask your kitchen or hardware store about utensils for manually impaired or arthritic persons, including:
 - Basic electric can openers
 - Bottle and jar openers
 - Large-handled utensils
- When working at your stove, be very careful that intravenous, tube feeding tubing, or oxygen tubing do not hang over the heat. They can be flammable.

Getting Around Safely

If you are now using assistant devices for ambulating (walking), here are some key points:

- Install permanent or temporary guardrails on stairs to give you additional support if you are using a cane or are unsteady.
- If you are using a walker, make sure that furniture and walkways are arranged to give you enough room.
- If you are using a walker or wheelchair, you may need a ramp for getting into or out of the house. Ramps can be purchased ready-made, or may be constructed for you. Talk to your home medical equipment provider about available options.

What To Do If You Get Hurt ... In case of emergency, contact: Fire, Police, And Ambulance: **911**

Hospital: _____ Phone: _____

Home Care Agency: _____ Phone: _____

Doctor: _____ Phone: _____

Arfstrom Medical Equipment & SuppliesPhone: 906-632-1923

Arfstrom Pharmacy.....Phone: 906-632-9661

If you have any questions about safety that aren't in this booklet, please call us and we will be happy to give you recommendations for your individual needs.

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

9/23/2013

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

As part of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, known as HIPAA, the Facility has created this Notice of Privacy Practices (Notice). This Notice describes the Facility's privacy practices and the rights you, the individual, have as they relate to the privacy of your Protected Health Information (PHI). Your PHI is information about you, or that could be used to identify you, as it relates to your past and present physical and mental health care services. The HIPAA regulations require that the Facility protect the privacy of your PHI that the Facility has received or created.

This Facility will abide by the terms presented within this Notice. For any uses or disclosures that are not listed below (Including Marketing and Selling of PHI), the Facility will obtain a written authorization from you for that use or disclosure, which you will have the right to revoke at any time, as explained in more detail below. **The Facility reserves the right to change the Facility's privacy practices and this Notice.**

HOW THE FACILITY MAY USE AND DISCLOSE YOUR PHI

The following is an accounting of the ways that the Facility is permitted, by law, to use and disclose your PHI.

Uses and disclosures of PHI for Treatment: We will use the PHI that we receive from you to fill your prescription and coordinate or manage your health care.

Uses and disclosures of PHI for Payment: The Facility will disclose your PHI to obtain payment or reimbursement from insurers for your health care services.

Uses and disclosures of PHI for Health Care Operations: The Facility may use the minimum necessary amount of your PHI to conduct quality assessments, improvement activities, and evaluate the Facility workforce.

The following is an accounting of additional ways in which the Facility is permitted or required to use or disclose PHI about you without your written authorization.

Uses and disclosures as required by law: The Facility is required to use or disclose PHI about you as required and as limited by law.

Uses and disclosure for Public Health Activities: The Facility may use or disclose PHI about you to a public health authority that is authorized by law to collect for the purpose of preventing or controlling disease, injury, or disability. This includes the FDA so that it may monitor any adverse effects of drugs, foods, nutritional supplements and other products as required by law.

Uses and disclosure about victims of abuse, neglect or domestic violence: The Facility may use or disclose PHI about you to a government authority if it is reasonably believed you are a victim of abuse, neglect or domestic violence.

Uses and disclosures for health oversight activities: The Facility may use or disclose PHI about you to a health oversight agency for oversight activities which may include audits, investigations, inspections as necessary for licensure, compliance with civil laws, or other activities the health oversight agency is authorized by law to conduct.

Disclosures to Individuals Involved in your Care: The Facility may disclose PHI about you to individuals involved in your care.

Disclosures for judicial and administrative proceedings: The Facility may disclose PHI about you in the course of any judicial or administrative proceedings, provided that proper documentation is presented to the Facility.

Disclosures for law enforcement purposes: The Facility may disclose PHI about you to law enforcement officials for authorized purposes as required by law or in response to a court order or subpoena.

Uses and disclosures about the deceased: The Facility may disclose PHI about a deceased, or prior to, and in reasonable anticipation of an individual's death, to coroners, medical examiners, and funeral directors.

Uses and disclosures for cadaveric organ, eye or tissue donation purposes: The Facility may use and disclose PHI for the purpose of procurement, banking, or transplantation of cadaveric organs, eyes, or tissues for donation purposes.

Uses and disclosures for research purposes: The Facility may use and disclose PHI about you for research purposes with a valid waiver of authorization approved by an institutional review board or a privacy board. Otherwise, the Facility will request a signed authorization by the individual for all other research purposes.

Uses and disclosures to avert a serious threat to health or safety: The Facility may use or disclose PHI about you, if it believed in good faith, and is consistent with any applicable law and standards of ethical conduct, to avert a serious threat to health or safety.

Uses and disclosures for specialized government functions: The Facility may use or disclose PHI about you for specialized government functions including; military and veteran's activities, national security and intelligence, protective services, department of state functions, and correctional institutions and law enforcement custodial situations.

Disclosure for workers' compensation: The Facility may disclose PHI about you as authorized by and to the extent necessary to comply with workers' compensation laws or programs established by law.

Disclosures for disaster relief purposes: The Facility may disclose PHI about you as authorized by law to a public or private entity to assist in disaster relief efforts and for family and personal representative notification.

Disclosures to business associates: The Facility may disclose PHI about you to the Facility's business associates for services that they may provide to or for the Facility to assist the Facility to provide quality health care. To ensure the privacy of your PHI, we require all business associates to apply appropriate safeguards to any PHI they receive or create.

OTHER USES AND DISCLOSURES

The Facility may contact you for the following purposes:

Information about treatment alternatives: The Facility may contact you to notify you of alternative treatments and/or products.

Health related benefits or services: The Facility may use your PHI to notify you of benefits and services the Facility provides.

Fundraising: If the Facility participates in a fundraising activity, the Facility may use demographic PHI to send you a fundraising packet, or the Facility may disclose demographic PHI about you to its business associate or an institutionally related foundation to send you a fundraising packet. No further disclosure will be allowed by the business associates or an institutionally related foundation without your written authorization. You will be provided with an opportunity to opt-out of all future fundraising activities.

FOR ALL OTHER USES AND DISCLOSURES

The Facility will obtain a written authorization from you for all other uses and disclosures of PHI, and the Facility will only use or disclose pursuant to such an authorization. In addition, you may revoke such an authorization in writing at any time. To revoke a previously authorized use or disclosure, please contact Andrew Szoke to obtain a *Request for Restriction of Uses and Disclosures*.

YOUR HEALTH INFORMATION RIGHTS

The following are a list of your rights in respect to your PHI. Please contact the Andrew Szoke for more information about the below.

Request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures of your PHI: You have the right to request additional restrictions of the Facility's uses and disclosures of your PHI. The Facility is not required to accommodate a request, except that the Facility is required to agree to a request to restrict disclosures to health insurance plans related to products and services you pay out-of-pocket for.

The right to have your PHI communicated to you by alternate means or locations: You have the right to request that the Facility communicate confidentially with you using an address or phone number other than your residence. However, state and federal laws require the Facility to have an accurate address and home phone number in case of emergencies. The Facility will consider all reasonable requests.

The right to inspect and/or obtain a copy your PHI: You have the right to request access and/or obtain a copy of your PHI that is contained in the Facility for the duration the Facility maintains PHI about you. There may be a reasonable cost-based charge for photocopying documents. You will be notified in advance of incurring such charges, if any.

The right to amend your PHI: You have the right to request an amendment of the PHI the Facility maintains about you, if you feel that the PHI the Facility has maintained about you is incorrect or otherwise incomplete. Under certain circumstances we may deny your request for amendment. If we do deny the request, you will have the right to have the denial reviewed by someone we designate who was not involved in the initial review. You may also ask the Secretary, United States Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS"), or their appropriate designee, to review such a denial.

The right to receive an accounting of disclosures of your PHI: You have the right to receive an accounting of certain disclosures of your PHI made by the Facility.

The right to receive additional copies of the Facility's Notice of Privacy Practices: You have the right to receive additional paper copies of this Notice, upon request, even if you initially agreed to receive the Notice electronically

Notification of Breaches: You will be notified of any breaches that have compromised the privacy of your PHI.

REVISIONS TO THE NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

The Facility reserves the right to change and/or revise this Notice and make the new revised version applicable to all PHI received prior to its effective date. The Facility will also post the revised version of the Notice in the Facility.

COMPLAINTS

If you believe your privacy rights have been violated, you may file a complaint with the Facility and/or to the Secretary of HHS, or his designee. If you wish to file a complaint with the Facility, please contact Andrew Szoke if you wish to file a complaint with the Secretary, please write to:

<http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/about/rgn-hqaddresses.html>

The Facility will not take any adverse action against you as a result of your filing of a complaint.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions on the Facility's privacy practices or for clarification on anything contained within the Notice, please contact:

Arfstrom Pharmacies Inc.
Andrew Szoke
415 Ashmun St
Sault Ste Marie, MI 49783
(906) 632-9661

Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies
HIPAA NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES
As required by the Privacy Regulations Promulgated Pursuant to the
Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)
Arfstrom Pharmacies, Inc.
Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan

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THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

This Notice of Privacy Practices describes how we may use and disclose your protected health information (PHI) to carry out treatment, payment or health care operations (TPO) and for other purposes that are permitted or required by law. It also describes your rights to access and control your protected health information. "Protected health information" is information about you, including demographic information, that may identify you and that relates to your past, present or future physical or mental health or condition and related health care services.

Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information: Your protected health information may be used and disclosed by our organization, our office staff and others outside of our office that are involved in your care and treatment for the purpose of providing health care services to you, to pay your health care bills, to support the operation of the organization, and any other use required by law.

Treatment: We will use and disclose your protected health information to provide, coordinate, or manage your health care and any related services. This includes the coordination or management of your health care with a third party. For example, we would disclose your protected health information, as necessary, to a home health agency that provides care to you. For example, your protected health information may be provided to a physician to whom you have been referred to ensure that the physician has the necessary information to diagnose or treat you.

Payment: Your protected health information will be used, as needed, to obtain payment for your health care services. For example, obtaining approval for equipment or supplies coverage may require that your relevant protected health information be disclosed to the health plan to obtain approval for coverage.

Healthcare Operations: We may use or disclose, as-needed, your protected health information in order to support the business activities of our organization. These activities include, but are not limited to, quality assessment activities, employee review activities, accreditation activities, and conducting or arranging for other business activities. For example, we may disclose your protected health information to accrediting agencies as part of an accreditation survey. We may also call you by name while you are at our facility. We may use or disclose your protected health information, as necessary, to contact you to check the status of your equipment.

We may use or disclose your protected health information in the following situations without your authorization. These situations include: as Required By Law, Public Health issues as required by law, Communicable Diseases, Health Oversight, Abuse or Neglect, Food and Drug Administration requirements, Legal Proceedings, Law Enforcement, Criminal Activity, inmates, Military Activity, National Security, and Workers' Compensation. Required Uses and Disclosures: Under the law, we must make disclosures to you and when required by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to investigate or determine our compliance with the requirements of Section 164.500.

Other permitted and required uses and disclosures will be made only with your consent, authorization or opportunity to object unless required by law.

You may revoke this authorization, at any time, in writing, except to the extent that your physician or this organization has taken an action in reliance on the use or disclosure indicated in the authorization.

Your Rights: Following is a statement of your rights with respect to your protected health information.

You have the right to inspect and copy your protected health information. Under federal law, however, you may not inspect or copy the following records; psychotherapy notes; information compiled in reasonable anticipation of, or use in, a civil, criminal, or administrative action or proceeding, and protected health information that is subject to law that prohibits access to protected health information.

You have the right to request a restriction of your protected health information. This means you may ask us not to use or disclose any part of your protected health information for the purposes of treatment, payment or healthcare operations. You may also request that any part of your protected health information not be disclosed to family members or friends who may be involved in your care or for notification purposes as described in this Notice of Privacy Practices. Your request must state the specific restriction requested and to whom you want the restriction to apply.

Our organization is not required to agree to a restriction that you may request. If our organization believes it is in your best interest to permit use and disclosure of your protected health information, your protected health information will not be restricted. You then have the right to use another Healthcare Professional.

You have the right to request to receive confidential communications from us by alternative means or at an alternative location. You have the right to obtain a paper copy of this notice from us, upon request, even if you have agreed to accept this notice alternatively (i.e. electronically).

You may have the right to have our organization amend your protected health information. If we deny your request for amendment, you have the right to file a statement of disagreement with us and we may prepare a rebuttal to your statement and will provide you with a copy of any such rebuttal.

You have the right to receive an accounting of certain disclosures we have made, if any, of your protected health information.

We reserve the right to change the terms of this notice and will inform you by mail of any changes. You then have the right to object or withdraw as provided in this notice.

Complaints: You may complain to us or to the Secretary of Health and Human Services if you believe your privacy rights have been violated by us. You may file a complaint with us by notifying our privacy contact of your complaint. **We will not retaliate against you for filing a complaint.**

This notice was published and becomes effective on/or before April 14, 2003

We are required by law to maintain the privacy of, and provide individuals with, this notice of our legal duties and privacy practices with respect to protected health information, if you have any questions concerning or objections to this form, please ask to speak with our HIPAA Compliance Officer (President) in person or by phone at 906-632-9661.

Person Authorized to Receive Protected Health Information:

Name: _____ Relationship to Patient: _____

Your signature below acknowledges that you have received a copy of this Notice of our Privacy Practices. Your signature also acknowledges that you have authorized Arfstrom Medical Equipment and Supplies to release Protected Health Information to the person listed above as the company deems necessary.

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

This pamphlet has been provided by Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies to help you plan your actions in case there is a natural disaster where you live. Many areas of the United States are prone to natural disasters like hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, and earthquakes.

Every client/patient receiving care or services in the home should think about what they would do in the event of an emergency. Our goal is to help you plan so that we can try to provide you with the best, most consistent service we can during the emergency.

Know What to Expect

If you have recently moved to this area, take the time to find out what types of natural emergencies have occurred in the past, and what types might be expected.

Find out what, if any, time of year these emergencies are more prevalent.

Find out when you should evacuate, and when you shouldn't.

Your local Red Cross, local law enforcement agencies, local news and radio stations usually provide excellent information and tips for planning.

Know Where to Go

One of the most important pieces of information you should know is the location of the closest emergency shelter.

These shelters are opened to the public during voluntary and mandatory evaluation times. They are usually the safest place for you to go, other than a friend or relative's home in an unaffected area.

Know What to Take with You

If you are going to a shelter, there will be restrictions on what items you can bring with you. Not all shelters have adequate storage facilities for medications that need refrigeration.

We recommend that you call ahead and find out which shelter in your area will let you bring your medications and medical supplies, in addition, let them know if you will be using medical equipment that requires an electrical outlet.

During our planning for a natural emergency, we will contact you and deliver, if possible, at least one week's worth of medication and supplies. Bring all your medications and supplies with you to the shelter.

Reaching Us if There Are No Phones

How do you reach us during a natural emergency if the phone lines don't work? How would you contact us? If there is warning of the emergency, such as a hurricane watch, we will make every attempt to contact you and provide you with the number of our cellular phone. (Cellular phones frequently work even when the regular land phone lines do not.)

If you have no way to call our cellular phone, you can try to reach us by having someone you know call us from his or her cellular phone. (Many times cellular phone companies set up communication centers during natural disasters. If one is set up in your area, you can ask them to contact us.)

If the emergency was unforeseen, we will try to locate you by visiting your home, or by contacting your home nursing agency. If travel is restricted due to damage from the emergency, we will try to contact you through local law enforcement agencies.

An Ounce of Prevention...

We would much rather prepare you for an emergency ahead of time than wait until it has happened and then send you the supplies you need.

To do this, we need for you to give us as much information as possible before the emergency. We may ask you for the name and phone number of a close family member, or a close friend or neighbor. We may ask you where you will go if an emergency occurs. Will you go to a shelter, or a relative's home? If your doctor has instructed you to go to a hospital, which one is it?

Having the address of your evacuation site, if it is in another city, may allow us to service your therapy needs through another company.

Helpful Tips

- Get a cooler and ice or freezer gel-packs to transport your medication.
- Get all of your medication information and teaching modules together and take them with you if you evacuate.
- Pack one week's worth of supplies in a plastic-lined box or waterproof tote bag or tote box. Make sure the seal is watertight.
- Make sure to put antibacterial soap and paper towels into your supply kit.
- If possible, get waterless hand disinfectant from Arfstrom Equipment & Supplies or from a local store. It comes in very handy if you don't have running water.
- If you are going to a friend or relative's home during evacuation, leave their phone number and address with Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies and your home nursing agency.
- When you return to your home, contact your home nursing agency and Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies so we can visit and see what supplies you need.

For More information

There is much more to know about planning for and surviving during a natural emergency or disaster.

To be ready for an emergency, contact your local American Red Cross or Emergency Management Services agency.

An Important Reminder!!

*During any emergency situation, if you are unable to contact our company and you are in need of your prescribed medication, equipment or supplies, **you must go to the nearest emergency room or other treatment facility for treatment.***

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Advance Directives are forms that say, in advance, what kind of treatment you want or don't want under serious medical conditions. Some conditions, if severe, may make you unable to tell the doctor how you want to be treated at that time. Your Advance Directives will help the doctor to provide the care you would wish to have.

Most hospitals and home health organizations are required to provide you with information on Advance Directives. Many are required to ask you if you already have Advance Directives prepared.

This pamphlet has been designed to give you information and may help you with important decisions. Laws regarding Advance Directives vary from state to state. We recommend that you consult with your family, close friends, your physician, and perhaps even a social worker or lawyer regarding your individual needs and what may benefit you the most.

What Kinds Of Advance Directives Are There?

There are two basic types of Advance Directives available. One is called a Living Will. The other is called a Durable Power of Attorney.

A Living Will gives information on the kind of medical care you want (or do not want) become terminally ill and unable to make your own decision.

- It is called a "Living" Will because it takes effect while you are living.
- Many states have specific forms that must be used for a Living Will to be considered legally binding. These forms may be available from a social services office, law office, or possibly a library.
- In some states, you are allowed to simply write a letter describing what treatments you want or don't want.
- In all cases, your Living Will must be signed, witnessed, and dated. Some states require verification.

A Durable Power of Attorney is a legal agreement that names another person (frequently a spouse, family member, or close friend) as an *agent* or *proxy*. This person would then be make medical decisions for you if you should become unable to make them for yourself. A Durable Power of Attorney can also include instructions regarding specific treatments that want or do not want in the event of serious illness.

What Type of Advance Directive is Best for Me?

This is not a simple question to answer. Each individual's situation and preferences are unique.

- For many persons, the answer depends on their specific situation, or personal desires for their health care.
- Sometimes the answer depends on the state in which you live. In some states, it is better to have one versus the other.
- Many times you can have both, either as separate forms or as a single combined form.

What Do I Do If I Want An Advance Directive?

- First, consult with your physician's office or home care agency about where to get information specific for your state.
- Once you have discussed the options available, consult with any family members or friends who may be involved in your medical care. This is extremely important if you have chosen a friend or family member as your "agent" in the Durable Power of Attorney.
- Be sure to follow all requirements in your state for your signature, witness signature, notarization (if required), and filing.
- You should provide copies of your Advance Directive(s) to people you trust, such as close family members, friends and/or caregiver(s). The original document should be filed in a secure location known to those to whom you give copies.
- Keep another copy in a secure location; if you have a lawyer, he or she will keep a copy as well.

How Does My Health Care Team Know I Have an Advance Directive?

You must tell them. Many organizations and hospitals are required to ask you if you have one. Even so, it is a good idea to tell your physicians and nurses that you have an Advance Directive, and where the document can be found.

Many client/patients keep a small card in their wallet that states the type of Advance Directive they have, where a copy of the document(s) is located, and a contact person, such as your Durable Power of Attorney "agent," and how to contact them.

What If I Change My Mind?

You can change your mind about any part of your Advance Directive, or even about having an Advance Directive, at any time.

If you would like to cancel or make changes to the document(s), it is very important that you follow the same signature, dating, and witness procedure as the first time, and that you make sure all original versions are deleted or discarded, and that all health care providers, your caregiver(s), your family and friends have a revised copy.

What If I Don't Want An Advance Directive?

You are not required by law to have one. Many home care companies are required to provide you with this basic information, but what you choose to do with it is entirely up to you.

For More Information...

This pamphlet has been designed to provide you with basic information. It is not a substitute for consultation with an experienced lawyer or knowledgeable social worker. These persons, or your home care agency, can best answer more detailed questions, and help guide you towards the best Advance Directive for you.

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CLIENT/PATIENT SERVICE AGREEMENT

Client/Patient Name: _____ ID: _____

Authorization/Consent for Care/Service: I have been informed of the home care options available to me and of the selection of providers from which I may choose. I authorize Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies, under the direction of the prescribing physician, to provide home medical equipment, supplies and services as prescribed by my physician.

Assignment of Benefits/Authorization for Payment: I hereby assign all benefits and payments to be made directly Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies for any home medical equipment, supplies and services furnished to me in conjunction with my home care. I authorize Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies to seek such benefits and payments on my behalf. It is understood that, as a courtesy, Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies will bill Medicare/Medicaid or other federally funded sources and other payors and insurer(s) providing coverage, with a copy to Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies, I understand that I am responsible for providing all necessary information and for making sure all certification and enrollment requirements are fulfilled. Any changes in the policy must be reported to Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies within 30 days of the event. I have been informed by Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies of the medical necessity for the services prescribed by my physician. I understand that in the event services are deemed not reasonable and necessary, payment may be denied and that I will be fully responsible for payment.

Release of Information: I hereby request and authorize Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies the prescribing physician, hospital, and any other holder of information relevant to service, to release information upon request, to Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies any payor source, physician, or any other medical personnel or agency involved with service. I also authorize Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies to review medical history and payor information for the purpose of providing home health care.

Financial Responsibility: I understand and agree that I am responsible for the payment of any and all sums that may become due for the services provided. These sums include, but are not limited to, all deductibles, co-payments, out-of-pocket requirements, and non-covered services. If for any reason and to any extent, Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies does not receive payment from my payor source, I hereby agree to pay Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies for the balance in full, within 30 days of receipt of invoice. All charges not paid within 45 days of billing date shall be assessed late charges. I am liable for all charges, including collection costs and all attorneys cost. I am responsible for all charges regardless of my payor unless my agreement with my health plan holds me harmless.

Returned Goods: I understand that, due to Federal and State Pharmacy Regulations ancillary items prescribed for home health care cannot be re-dispensed. Therefore, ancillary items cannot be returned for credit. Home Medical Equipment that is rented will be returned after the physician has discontinued service. Sale items cannot be returned. Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies must be notified within 24 hours of the set-up if any equipment is defective. In the case of defective equipment, an exchange will be made for the defective item.

Client/Patient Handouts: I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Client/patient Handouts which contains Client/patient Rights and Responsibilities, Supplier Standards, Home Safety Information, HIPPA Privacy Standards, Emergency Planning, and Advance Directive Information. I acknowledge that the information in the Client/patient Handouts has been explained to me and that I understand the information. I understand my right to formulate and to issue Advance Directives to be followed should I become incapacitated. I will furnish Arfstrom Medical Equipment & Supplies with a copy of such document.

Warranty: I understand that, products provided by the organization may contain a warranty. All warranties will vary by manufacturer. A more detailed warranty has been provided to me in writing. I understand that in the event of any warranty questions or product malfunctions, I should contact the organization who will implement any warranty repairs or exchanges.

Grievance Reporting: I acknowledge that I have been informed of the procedure to report a grievance should I become dissatisfied with any portion of my home care experience. I understand that I may lodge a complaint without concern for reprisal, discrimination, or unreasonable interruption of service. To place a grievance, please call 906-632-9661 and speak to the Customer Services Supervisor. If your complaint is not resolved to your satisfaction within 5 working days, you may initiate a formal grievance, in writing and forward it to the Governing Body. You can expect a written response within 7 working days or receipt. You may also contact: Medicare @ 1-800-633-4227 or Accreditation Commission for Health Care @ 1-855-937-2242

Home Health Hotline: You may also make inquiries or complaints about this company by calling your local Social Services Department.

Client/patient: _____ Date: _____

Witness: _____ Date: _____

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SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Home Medical Equipment

Hospital Beds & Accessories
Over-the-bed Tables
Patient Lifts
Trapeze Units
Cervical Traction Units
Wheelchairs & Accessories
Commodes
Lift Chairs
Breast Pumps

Ambulatory Aids

Walkers & Accessories
Rollator Walkers
Knee Scooters
Crutches
Canes
Quad Canes
Walking Sticks
Gait Belts

Bathroom & Safety Aids

Shower Stools and Benches
Transfer Benches
Safety Grab Bars
Elevated Toilet Seats

Prosthetics

Mastectomy Forms & Bras

Self Diagnostic Equipment

Blood Pressure Monitors
Blood Glucose Monitor & Supplies

Independent Living Aids

Reacher Aids
Elastic Shoe Laces
Dressing Sticks
Shoehorns & Button Aids
Sock Aids
Leg Lifters
Toilet Aids
Urinals
Bed Wedges
Mattress Pads
Water/Cervical Pillows
Emesis Basins
Bed Pans
Inflatable & Foam Donut Cushions

Medical Supplies

Compression Stockings
Urological Supplies
Ostomy Supplies
Incontinent Aids
Wound Care Products

Orthotics

Knee Orthotics
Back Orthotics
Wrist/Hand Orthotics
Shoulder Orthotics
Cervical Collars
Elbow Orthotics
Ankle Orthotics
Lower Leg Walker