## **NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES**

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION.
HIPAA PRIVACY RULES REQUIRE THAT WE FURNISH YOU WITH THIS NOTICE. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

**Understanding your health information:** Your medical record contains personal health information and there are state and federal laws to protect the privacy of this information.

**How your information is used:** The staff involved in your care will document in your record about the care provided for you. All Coyote Stone, LLC staff can access same information in chart. Coyote Stone, LLC may use your medical information as required to obtain payment for your treatment. We also may use and disclose your medical information to improve the quality of care (for example, for review and training purposes).

Other ways your medical information may be used: Your medical information may be used, unless you ask for restrictions on a specific use of disclosure for the following purposes:

- Appointment reminders
- To carry out health care treatment, payment, and operations functions through business associates, e.g., insurance billing, etc.
- Health oversight activities such as audits, inspections, investigations, and licensure.
- To prevent a serious threat to health or safety.
- Law enforcement (e.g., in response to a court order or other legal process; to identify or locate an individual being sought by authorities; circumstances relating to reporting information about a crime).
- National security and intelligence activities.
- Lawsuits and disputes. (We will attempt to provide you advance notice of a subpoena before disclosing the information.) As required by

Your authorization is required for other disclosures: Except as described above, we will not use or disclose our medical information unless you authorize Coyote Stone, LLC in writing to disclose your information. You may revoke your permission, which will be effective only after the date of your written revocation.

You have rights regarding your medical information. You have the following rights regarding your medical information, provided that you make a written request to invoke the right.

- **Right to request restrictions.** You may request limitations on your medical information we use or disclose for health care treatment, payment, or operations (e.g., you may ask us not to disclose that you have had a particular surgery), but we are not required to agree to your request. If we agree, we will comply with your request unless the information is needed to provide you with emergency services.
- **Right to confidential communications.** You may request communication in a certain way or at a certain location, but you must specify how or where you wish to be contacted.
- Right to inspect and request a copy. You have the right to inspect and request a copy of your medical information regarding decisions about your care. Coyote Stone, LLC charges a fee for copying, faxing, and mailing medical records.
- **Right to request amendment.** If you believe that the medical information we have about you is incorrect or incomplete, you may request an amendment. Coyote Stone, LLC is not required to accept the amendment.
- Right to accounting disclosures. You may request a list of the disclosures of your PHI that have been made to persons or entities other than for healthcare treatment, payment, or operations in the past six (6) years. After the first request, there will be a charge.
- Right to receive notice of a breach. You have the right to be notified upon a breach of any of your unsecured PHI.
- Right to a copy of this notice. You may request a paper copy of this Notice at any time, even if you have been provided with an electronic copy.

**Requirements regarding this notice.** Coyote Stone, LLC is required by Federal law to provide you with this Notice. We will be governed by this Notice for as long as it is in effect. Coyote Stone, LLC may change this Notice and these changes will be effective for medical information we have about you as well as any information we receive in the future.

**Complaints.** If you believe your privacy rights have been violated, you may file a complaint with Coyote Stone, LLC or with the Secretary of the United States

Department of Health and Human Services. You will not be penalized or retaliated against in any way for making a complaint to Coyote Stone, LLC or the United

States Department of Health and Human Services. To file a complaint, you may either call or send a written letter to Coyote Stone, LLC offices.

Contact Us: Call the Corporate Office at (888) 211-6036 if:

- You have a complaint.
- You have any questions about this Notice.

•	You wish to request restrictions on uses and disclosures for health care treatment, $% \left( \frac{1}{2}\right) =\left( \frac{1}{2}\right) \left( \frac{1}$	payment, or operations.	
•	You wish to obtain a form to exercise your individual rights described in Paragraph	V.	
Signature			Date