IDEAL SENIOR LIVING CENTER (ISLC) PRIVACY NOTICE SUMMARY - Part I

THE FOLLOWING NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW YOUR MEDICAL INFORMATION MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED, AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW THE INFORMATION CAREFULLY.

ISLC is required by law to protect the privacy of its patients. Your confidential healthcare information may not be released for any purpose other than that which is identified in this notice.

A specific consent/authorization is NOT needed to release your confidential health care information to the following:

- Healthcare providers involved in your care/treatment*.
- Your insurance providers for the purpose of payment.
- ISLC personnel to conduct normal business operations e.g: appointment reminders, directories of patients that are in the hospital, rosters of those to receive treatment, case management, quality assessment, risk management, etc
- Religious affiliation clergy who receive your religious affiliation, name, location in facility and general condition.
- Public or law enforcement officials in the event of a criminal or other investigation.
- A public health, state or federal organization in the event of a communicable disease, report of a defective device, untoward response to a biological product (food or medication), or to carry out their responsibilities to monitor healthcare organizations/providers.
- Individuals who ask for you by name, who may receive your location in facility and general condition (See normal business operations).
- ISLC personnel and/or healthcare providers conducting research resulting in reports containing non-personally identifiable data. (These types of research project(s) will have been approved by the UHSH Institutional Review Board for appropriateness prior to implementation.)
- Organ/Tissue Procurement organizations, to carry out their duties as per applicable laws.
- Coroners, Medical Examiners and Funeral Directors, to carry out their duties as per New York State Law.
- Correctional institution(s) in which you are an inmate.
- Information as required by to military command authorities re: Military Personnel/Veterans, foreign or domestic.
- Disaster Relief Agencies who are assisting in notifications of families.

*There are special exemptions to this as per New York State law.

A specific consent/authorization IS required to release your confidential health care information to the following:
• Individuals designated by you, e.g.: caretaker, health care proxy, family members, life insurance providers, attorney, etc.
• ISLC personnel for marketing of healthcare treatment options or other health services that may be of interest to you
• UHS Foundation personnel for the purposes of raising funds to support ISLC’s operations.
• ISLC personnel and/or healthcare providers conducting research resulting in reports containing personally identifiable data. (These types of research project will have been approved by the United Health Services Hospitals Institutional Review Board for appropriateness prior to implementation.)

You have the following rights:

• To restrict the use of your confidential healthcare information. However, ISLC may choose to refuse your restriction if it is in conflict of providing you with quality healthcare or in the event of an emergency situation.
• You may revoke your consent/authorization in writing at any time.
• To receive confidential communication about your health status;
• To review and/or request a photocopy of any/all portions of your medical record or billing information.
• To request an amendment to your healthcare information;
• To receive an accounting of disclosures of your designated record set (your medical record or billing information) and for what purpose.
• To file a complaint with ISLC if you believe your rights to privacy have been violated.

If you feel that your privacy rights have been violated, please mail your complaint to the hospital:

Office of the President
Ideal Senior Living Center
508 High Avenue
Endicott, NY 13760

All complaints will be investigated. No personal issue will be raised for filing a complaint with the hospital. If your complaint cannot be resolved by Ideal Senior Living Center you may contact:

Office of Civil Rights
Ocrmail@hhs.gov
1-800-368-1019

ISLC will abide by the terms of this notice. ISLC reserves the right to make changes to this notice and continue to maintain the confidentiality of all healthcare information. If alterations are made to this privacy notice, these changes will be posted on our web site (www.uhs.net) so you can be aware of any changes that may affect you. Any person may request and receive a printed
copy of this privacy notice. To obtain a paper copy of this notice or obtain further information about this notice, please contact, via postal mail:

Privacy Officer  
Ideal Senior Living Center  
508 High Avenue  
Endicott, NY 13760

Date of origin: 2/03  
Effective date: 4/14/03

Please note you will find additional information about any of the italicized words in the accompanying privacy notice booklet, Part II.