

Health Information Sharing and the Electronic Medical Record

Connected to Care For You

Unified Chart at Hunterdon

This practice is a member of Hunterdon Healthcare Partners, formed in 1998 to improve quality and access to medical care in Hunterdon county and surrounding areas.

As part of that mission, Hunterdon Healthcare Partners began the introduction of electronic health records at our practices, using NextGen software. As medical care has become more complex, communication between the various physicians caring for an individual becomes increasingly essential. This is especially true among specialists and the primary care physician at the patient's medical home.

Your NextGen electronic health record is Unified across all sites in the Hunterdon Healthcare Partners network. Nearly every Hunterdon Healthcare Partners doctor you see will chart in the same electronic record. This powerful tool allows every one of the doctors caring for you to see your medical details, including laboratory test, imaging tests, medication and office visits. Please be assured, you can still share confidential information with your doctor as there is a confidential section in your chart that only that doctor can see.

Hunterdon Health Connections™

Your medications, allergies, chronic conditions and test results can also be shared among doctors from different health systems in New Jersey who participate in Jersey Health Connect. This is part of the national effort to improve patient care by sharing necessary information. Our office is connected with Jersey Health Connect via Hunterdon Healthy Connections™

Why Connect?

There are many benefits to you when your medical information is available to all of your doctors:

- Better ability to diagnose and treat your conditions quickly and accurately
- •Less unnecessary duplication of testing, so possibly less blood tests, x-rays, or cost
- •Fewer delays in decision-making while waiting for information to be sent back and forth
- Less need to repeat your health information at each office

Your Choice

Your have a choice. You may decline to share information with your other doctors. For Unified Chart™ you may select to "optout" for the sharing of data by completing the form available at your doctor's office. If you choose to opt-out, your outpatient information will not be shared among Hunterdon HealthCare Partners; Your Hunterdon doctors will still have access to labs and radiology tests at Hunterdon Medical Center.

For Jersey Health Connect, call the opt-out number at 855-624-NJHC (855-624-6542) or visit the web site at www.jerseyhealthconnect.org. By opting out of Jersey Health Connect, your healthcare providers will not be able to access your health information through Jersey Health Connect.

We hope that you will allow us to share your medical information among providers involved in your care so that we can improve the quality, lower the cost and streamline the process of delivering the very best medical care to our patients and neighbors.

We want to be Connected to Care for YOU!

Privacy

We strictly adhere to all current laws protecting privacy of health information and have electronic security policies to ensure that no one views your information who is not directly involved in your care.

Questions

Please contact the Practice Manager at this practice if you have additional questions about:

•The Electronic Medical Record

•The availability of your medical information to all physicians involved in your care

If you have any questions about the Jersey Health Connect HIE, please call (855) 624-NJHC.

For additional information, you can also visit www.jerseyhealthconnect.org.

ABOUT US

Your physician is a member of Hunterdon HealthCare Partners, LLC, a partnership between the Hunterdon Medical Center and a group of dedicated physicians in your community working to improve the quality and lower the cost of your healthcare.

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