

DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION PERTAINING TO INMATES PROCEDURE

A licensed health care professional or other member of the workforce may disclose a patient's protected health information to someone who represents himself or herself to be a law enforcement officer having lawful custody of the patient, or who claims to represent a correctional institution at which the patient is an inmate, when the circumstances are consistent with that representation.

Routine and recurring disclosures of PHI pertaining to prisoners must comply with the MINIMUM NECESSARY RULE and ROUTINE AND RECURRING REQUESTS FOR AND DISCLOSURES OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION policies. This would apply, for example, to a contract with a correctional institution to provide health care to inmates.

REFERENCE: 45 CFR § 164.512(k)(5)

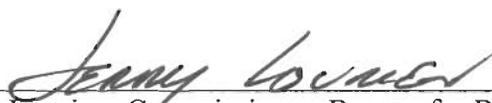
See also: MINIMUM NECESSARY RULE

ROUTINE AND RECURRING REQUESTS FOR AND DISCLOSURES
OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

ACCOUNTING OF DISCLOSURES OF PROTECTED HEALTH
INFORMATION

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