

COUNTY OF SUMMIT LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION OWNER OCCUPIED APPLICATION

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The County of Summit Lead Hazard Reduction Program (SCLHR) is <u>not</u> an emergency program. Homes must be owner-occupied and located in the County of Summit, Ohio.

Homeowners may apply if all the following criteria are met:	
☐ The home is built before 1978.	
☐ A child under the age of 6 lives in the home or visits on a regular basis.	
☐ The home meets local ordinances and housing codes.	
☐ Property taxes are not delinquent.	

How the Program Works After the Application is Approved *timeline may vary for each applicant

- A SCPH Lead Risk Assessor will contact you to schedule a time to do a lead risk assessment. A report will be mailed with a list of the lead hazards.
- The Owner(s) will sign off on the scope of work to be bid on by contractor(s) and will receive an estimated cost of work.
- A pre-bid meeting is scheduled at the house to allow contractors to see the work that needs to be done.
- The Contractor with the lowest most responsive bid is awarded the job and the County of Summit will hold the contract with the winning contractor.
- The County of Summit will schedule a time for the owner(s) to sign their mortgage documents and access agreement. The mortgage amount is calculated by taking 50% of the contractors' lead bid and securing it with a 5 year, deferred, forgivable loan and the remaining bid is a grant to the owner. The loan is forgiven in equal portions over 5 years on the anniversary date of executing the mortgage documents. The amount forgiven each year is not pro-rated during the year. The loan will become due if the home is sold, transferred or no longer the primary residence of the owner within the loan term.
- The owner must add the County of Summit as an "Additional Insured" to their homeowners' insurance policy for the term of the loan. Documentation must be provided prior to closing of the addition.
- Property taxes must be current and remain current for the term of the loan.
- Relocation is required while the lead work is being completed at the home, and it is encouraged that the owner stays with friends and/or family. If this is not possible, a hardship letter must be provided at the time of the loan closing. SCPH will select and pay for a hotel for relocation. The



owner MUST provide a debit/credit card at check in for any incidentals. Only the individuals listed on the application as living in the home are eligible for relocation. Failure to follow hotel policies may result in a loss of your reservation. SCPH will not make additional arrangements, and the owner is not permitted to return to the home until the lead work is completed and a clearance inspection has been conducted. SCPH must be made aware of any animals that will be going to the hotel prior to reservations being made. Boarding of animals is not covered by the program. Animals may NOT be left either inside or outside at the home. If any animals are left, Animal Control will be contacted to remove the animals and the owner will be responsible for any fees to get the animal(s) back.

- SCPH Grant staff will call to give the date that the contractor will begin lead work. A time will be scheduled to plan for relocation to a friend or family home or to a hotel with a kitchenette, of SCPH choosing, paid by the Program. No food will be purchased using the program. Only individuals listed on the application as living in the home will be permitted to use the hotel pool, additional guests are not permitted to use hotel amenities.
- Lead work will not start if the dwelling is cluttered, infested with insects or rodents, or unsanitary. The program will NOT pay for pest extermination. Pest extermination must be completed by a licensed pest control operator and a receipt shall be shown to Summit County Public Health.
- The Owner(s) will clear areas where work is being done and take down window covers.
- Once lead work begins, no one can enter the residence until it is tested and found lead safe. SCPH staff will call the owner and advise when they are able to return.

All occupants of the home must follow these guidelines. Failure to comply may result in termination of participation in the Lead Paint Hazard Reduction Grant Program. Please call 330-926-5600 (SCPH) or 330-643-8013 (SCDOD) if you have questions or concerns.

If you understand application.	and a	gree	to	these	guide	lines,	please	sign,	and	date	below	and	return	with	your
Signature of Applicant						Date									
Signature of Co-Ar	plican	nt									Date				





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REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

The following documents will be needed for all adults in the household at the time of your application review as they pertain to your household:

☐ Proof of identity (current Photo or State ID, birth certificate, and social security card) for all household members and children who spend more than 6 hours per week in the home
☐ Affidavit from parent/ guardian that the visiting child spends more than 6 hours per week in the home
☐ A copy of your (6) most recent pay stubs
☐ A copy of your Social Security Benefits Statements (Form SSA-1099) 2024 and 2025 SSI & SSDI award letter(s)
☐ A copy of your current monthly pension statement
☐ A copy of your 2024 W-2 Statement of Earnings or 1099 Statement
□ A copy of your 2024 Federal 1040 Tax Return or if you do not file federal taxes a notarized statement indicating why taxes are not filed
□ Notarized letter signed and dated for every person living in the home over aged 18 years with no income
☐ A copy of your complete divorce documents/decree
☐ A copy of bankruptcy discharge (only if occurring before the five-year limit)
☐ Copies of your last 3 months' bank statements for any checking/savings accounts
\square If any adult in the household is a full-time student, the class schedule must be provided with the student's and school's names visible
☐ A copy of your current homeowner's insurance listing address

NOTE: Not all the above documents pertain to your personal situation. Please provide ONLY the documents that apply to you. If you are married, the above information will be required for all individuals applying. Additional information may be requested as your application is in the review process.

INCOME LIMITS* - Community and Economic Development								
% AMI	1 Person	2 People	3 People	4 People	5 People	6 People	7 People	8 People
80%	\$56,200	\$64,200	\$72,250	\$80,250	\$86,700	\$93,100	\$99,550	\$105,950

^{*}Income Limits Subject to Change

*Revised effective 4/1/2025





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Mail Documents To:

County of Summit

SCLHR 175 S Main St, Room 207 Akron, Ohio 44308

330-643-8013

In-Person Drop Off:

Summit County Public Health

1867 W Market St Akron, Ohio 44313

330-926-5690

All sections of the Application must be completed. Indicate "N/A" if it does not apply to you. *Incomplete applications will be removed.*

PART 1 – APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:							
	(First)		(Middle)	(Last)			
Address:							
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Are you the owner of	record for thi	s property?	Yes □ No				
Home Phone #:				Cell Phone #:			
Social Security Number	ber:			Date of Birth:			
Email:							
Gender Identity:							
Are you a veteran? Marital Status:		□ No □ Divorced	□ Widowed	□ Single			
·	ck only one o	f the following)	-	Federal Funding Purposes			
☐ White			☐ Black/African American/White				
☐ Black/Afri	can American		☐ Asian/White				
☐ American l	Indian/Alaskaı	n Native	☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native/White				
☐ Asian			☐ Am. Indian/Alaskan Native/Black/African Am.				
□ Native Hay	vaiian/Other F	Pacific Islander	☐ Other Multi-Racial				



List your employer(s) and income:					☐ Check here if you are unemployed					
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Current										
2024										
Other Sources of Inc	ome			Tota	l Amount Per	Month				
		Yes	No		Current		2024			
Child Support										
Alimony										
Pension										
Social Security or SSI										
Disability Benefits										
Unemployment Benefa	its									
Do you have other income	ome?			_	s, please write th the Applica	a page listing t	the income a	and return		
	(First)				(Middle)		(Last)			
Address:((Street)				(City)		(State)	(Zip)		
Home Phone #:						Cell Phone #:				
Social Security Number	r:					Date of Birth:				
Email:										
Gender Identity: ☐ Female ☐ Male Are you a veteran? ☐ Yes ☐ No Marital Status: ☐ Married ☐ Divorced			□ Widowed	□ Single						
Are you (Please check only one of the following): □ White □ Black/African American □ American Indian/Alaskan Native □ Asian □ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander				☐ Black/Afri ☐ Asian/Whi ☐ American	can American/V te Indian/Alaskan n/Alaskan Nativ	White Native/White	te			



List your employer(s) and in	come:			□ Check he	ere if you are unemployed		
Employer(s)			Amount	of Paycheck (M	onthly Gross, Before Taxes)		
Current							
2024							
Other Sources of Income				mount Per Mont	h		
	Yes	No	(Current	2024		
Child Support							
Alimony							
Pension							
Social Security or SSI							
Disability Benefits							
Unemployment Benefits							
Do you have other income?			If ves, p	lease write a pag	e listing the income and return		
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Name:Phone Number:			Phone Number:				
Relationship: Relationship: PART 4 – HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION							
Please read the instructions car	efully.	Enter th	ne informa	tion completely. I	ncluding yourself, list the names		
dates of birth, relationships, and	d Socia	l Securi	ity Numbe	r(s) of everyone li	ving in your home. Attach proo		
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Name		Date	of Birth	Relationship	Social Security Number		
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Do you care for children younger than 6 years of age in your home? If yes, fill in the next section. Name of Child Date of Birth **Hours per Day** Days per Week All Household Income Source(s)check all that apply. **Documentation must be provided.** ☐ Active Military Pay ☐ Self-Employment ☐ Utility Allowance ☐ DA (Disability Assistance) ☐ VA Disability \square SSDI ☐ Employment Disability ☐ VA Pension \square SSI □ Interest ☐ Social Security ☐ Wages ☐ Inheritance ☐ TANF/ADC ☐ Workers' Compensation ☐ Pension ☐ Unemployment ☐ Other: PART 5 - ASSETS List all current bank accounts and the type of account, except IRA Accounts. ☐ Check here if you have no bank accounts Name of Bank or Credit Union Type of Account (Checking/Savings) Current Balance \$ \$ \$ Stocks, Bonds, Certificates of Deposit, Securities, IRA's, Etc. List all current accounts. Any funds drawn from the account will be counted as income. ☐ Check here if you have none of these accounts Description (Name of stock, money market account, government bond, etc.) Approximate Value \$ \$ \$

Other Real Estate Owned or Co-Owned

(List all current real estate owned other than primary residence. Rent payments are considered income)

☐ Check here if you have no other owned or co-owned real estate

Description (Rental property, vacation	Address	Monthly Rent
home, etc.)		
		\$
		\$
		\$



PART 6 – MORTGAGE INFORMATION							
You must answer al	ll the questions. If so	omething does no	ot ap	ply to you, answe	r N/A.		
Is your home paid in	full?	res □ No					
Do you have a reverse mortgage? ☐ Yes ☐ No							
List all mortgages on	the property:						
Bank /Lending	Original Mortgage	Current Mortga	ge	Monthly Payment	Type of Loan**		
Institution	Amount	Balance					
**For the type of lo	an, please indicate v	whether it is: FH	A , V .	A, Conventional,	or Land Contract		
Do you reside in the		•	\square Y	les □ No			
Do you use your property for business purposes? \square Yes \square No							
If yes, please describe the business:							
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PART 7 – CONDITIONS

The Applicant(s) agree that the presence of hazardous conditions may disqualify and exclude their housing unit from eligibility for participation in the SCLHR Program and affirm that their housing unit is free of:

- Infestation by rats, mice, or other vermin;
- Infestation by fleas, lice, or other insects;
- No animal waste inside the home;
- Cluttered debris or stored materials suitable for rodent or insect habitat; and
- Visible mold or mildew.

I/we affirm that my/our housing unit is free of the above-listed hazards and further affirm that I/we understand that the presence of any of the above-listed hazards may disqualify and exclude my/our housing unit from eligibility for participation in the SCLHR Program.

The Applicant(s) acknowledge that County of Summit Department of Community and Economic Development staff reserve the right to determine if the dollar amount needed to rehabilitate my/our housing unit exceeds the maximum amount allowed per project and that this may disqualify and exclude my/our housing unit from eligibility for participation in the SCLHR Program. The Applicant(s) also acknowledges that repairs through this program will only address health and safety concerns, not aesthetics.

Signature of Applicant	Date
Signature of Co-Applicant	Date

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PART 8 – CERTIFICATIONS

The Applicant(s) certify that they are the legal owner of the property listed in this application and that the rehabilitation loan will be used only for work and materials necessary to meet the rehabilitation or building code standards, as applicable, and which are recommended for the property in this application. If the County of Summit Department of Community and Economic Development (SCDOD) review panel determines the cost of rehabilitation exceeds the maximum amount per program guidelines, no state or federal funds will be invested in the property and the application will be closed. The Applicant(s) acknowledge(s) and agree(s) that they have no interest, right, or claim with respect to said funds and that the County of Summit will not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred if the Applicant(s) does not receive such funds.

The Applicant(s) also certifies that:

- They understand that submittal of an application is not a guarantee of funding, and that income eligibility, the condition of the property, and the work scope determined necessary by the SCDOD review panel will all be used to determine eligibility.
- They will use the property in a lawful manner with regard to occupancy, zoning ordinances, and property maintenance codes.
- They understand that the main objective of the program is to correct safety and health issues and/or code violations within the home and that funds will be used to address these items prior to any other repairs being made.

The Applicant(s) further acknowledge(s) that any verbal or physical abuse or threats of the SCDOD staff, contractors, or their employees may result in the immediate termination of assistance and that any work performed will be at the Applicant's expense.

The Applicant(s) covenants and agrees that they will comply with all local, state, and federal laws, including, but not limited to all requirements imposed pursuant to regulations of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development effectuating Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252). The Applicant(s) agrees not to discriminate upon the basis of race, color, creed, age, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, and/or national origin. The United States shall be a beneficiary of these provisions both for and in its own right, and also for the purpose of protecting the interests of the community and other parties, public or private, in whose favor or for whose benefit these provisions have been provided and shall have the right, in the event of any breach of these provisions, to maintain any actions or suits at law or in equity or any other proper proceedings to enforce the curing of such breach.

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Signature of Applicant	Date
Signature of Co-Applicant	



PART 9 – WALK AWAY POLICY/APPLICATION CLOSURE

Regardless of eligibility, under certain circumstances, an applicant may not receive assistance through the County of Summit Department of Community and Economic Development. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to:

- The homeowner and/or applicant becomes verbally or physically abusive and/or threatens staff members.
- During the course of the work the owner and/or occupants continually fail to cooperate with staff or contractors
- The applicant knowingly misrepresents information relevant to their eligibility for assistance.
- Following the initial inspection of the home, a determination is subsequently made that the home is not structurally sound.
- The work scope is larger than what the program can cover.
- Failure on the part of the applicant/owner to demonstrate pride of ownership. Conditions included under pride of ownership include, but are not limited to:
 - o Abuse of animals: evidence of unsanitary conditions
 - o Illegal or improper use of the property
 - Housekeeping and maintenance: extreme conditions of clutter or filth in or around the house
- Failure to return phone calls to County staff or contractors in a timely manner.
- Failure to have an adult in the home while County staff and/or contractors are present.
- Failure to allow final inspections from County staff and/or contractors.

Under any of the circumstances, assistance may be withheld and/or terminated at the discretion of the County of Summit Department of Community and Economic Development. Any work that may have been completed prior to a violation of any of the above items will be invoiced to the client and due immediately.

I/we acknowledge that we have read and do thoroughly understand and by my/our signatures below do affirm the above.					
Signature of Applicant	Date				
Signature of Co-Applicant	Date				



PART 10 - CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UNITE US NETWORK



By consenting, you agree to share information with a Network of health and social service partners powered by Unite Us software. This Network is made up of entities and individuals who are directly involved in your care or payment of care. Your personal information may be shared securely on the Network in accordance with privacy laws to connect you with services.

This consent covers all information shared by you or by anyone who has the right to share information on your behalf and is relevant to the recipient's involvement in your care or payment for your care. You can always limit the information you provide on the Network by requesting to have it removed.

To understand how your information may be used and kept safe on the Network, please see uniteus.com/privacy.

If you no longer want your information shared on the Network, you can email consent@uniteus.com or ask any Network partner.

	Consent
Client Name:	Birthdate:
Signature:	Date:
Personal Rep	resentative or Guardian (only if applicable)
Name:	Relationship to Client:
Signature:	Date:
Contact Pro	eferences (You may select more than one)
Email:	
Text:	
Phone:	



PART 12 – MULTI-PARTY AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Please read the instructions carefully. En	-	•	· /
age of 6 who lives in the home or visits of Failure to provide the required income do	-		-
I, hereby a □ Release or □ Obtain information for the	uthorize the Summit Comb		
Child/Patient(s) Name	Date of Birth	Relation	ıship
Obtain Information from:			
Agency:		Purpose:	
Summit County Department of Commun	nity Development	Determine eligib	oility
I have been offered the District's Notice medical information of the patient may be treatment solely for the purpose of disceligibility for benefits may not be conditionally receive an accounting of disclosures upon I may revoke the authorization orally, in at 1867 W. Market St Akron, OH 44311, consent for releases where SCPH has acknowledge that this Authorization external (ORC5122.31), and/or Human Immunode AIDS) test results or diagnoses (ORC370 that I understand its contents.	e used and disclosed. Excolosure to a third party, trooned on execution of this a request. I acknowledge to the box below, in writing the box below the bo	ept for research-relaceatment or payment authorization. I under that this authorization of the Health District corg. I understand that upon my consent. The records designatived Immune Deficient	ted treatment and , enrollment or erstand that I may n is voluntary and Privacy Officer at I cannot revoke I understand and ted above, which ciency Syndrome
Signature of Tenant Applicant		Date	
Signature of Parent/Guardian of Child(ren	n)	Date	



Only complete if Federal taxes are not filed

AFFIDAVIT FOR NOT FILING FEDERAL TAXES

I,	, did not fil	e federal taxes in 2024	because I was
(Print name)			-
Check one:			
☐ No longer required to file			
☐ A full-time student			
☐ Unemployed			
Print name:			
Signature:		Date: _	
Address:			
(Street)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
STATE OF OHIO COUNTY OF SUMMIT The foregoing instrument was acknowled	edged before me on		
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by			
1)	Name of person acknowledg	ed)	
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My commission expires (date)			



Authorization for Lead Inspection and Radon Testing

This Authorization is made as of	by
(hereinafter the "Client") to permit the Cou	nty of Summit, Ohio, an Ohio charter county and
political subdivision, with an address at the	Executive's Office, 175 S. Main Street, 8th Floor,
Akron, Ohio 44308 (hereinafter the "Count	y") and Summit County Combined General Health
District, aka Summit County Public Health	("SCPH") to conduct a Lead Inspection Risk
Assessment and Short-Term Radon Test at	(hereinafter the
"Property").	

1. Lead Inspection Risk Assessment

Client agrees to permit the County to conduct a Lead Inspection Risk Assessment at the Property. The Assessment is a comprehensive evaluation performed by a licensed lead inspector to identify the presence of lead-based paint and lead hazards in the property. The assessment includes:

- Visual inspection of the interior and exterior of the property for potential lead-based paint hazards.
- Testing of paint, dust, soil, or other surfaces using approved methods, such as X-ray fluorescence (XRF) or laboratory analysis.
- A detailed report outlining findings, including the location and condition of any lead hazards, and recommendations for mitigation, if applicable.

The Client acknowledges that the Lead Inspection Risk Assessment is conducted in accordance with Ohio Department of Health and Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations. The results are intended to identify lead hazards in the home. The Client agrees that if the home is currently part of a Public Health Lead Investigation, the home will be subject to Lead Hazard Control Orders (LHCO) if lead hazards are identified.

2. Short-Term Radon Test

Client agrees to permit the County to conduct a Short-Term Radon Test at the Property. The Short-Term Radon Test will be conducted by a licensed radon tester in accordance with Ohio Department of Health Regulations (Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 3701-69). The test involves the placement of radon measurement devices in the property for a period of 48-96 hours to measure radon levels.

2.1. Client Responsibilities for Radon Testing

To ensure accurate results, the Client agrees to adhere to the following testing requirements:

- Closed-House Conditions: Maintain closed-house conditions for at least 12 hours prior to and during the entire testing period. This includes keeping all windows and exterior doors closed, except for normal entry and exit.
- **No Interference**: Do not tamper with, move, or disturb the radon testing devices during the testing period.
- Environmental Controls: Avoid operating fans, air purifiers, or other devices that may alter air circulation, unless they are part of the property's permanent HVAC system.
- Access: Provide the licensed radon tester with reasonable access to the property to place and retrieve testing devices.

Failure to comply with these requirements may result in invalid test results. If the test is invalidated due to non-compliance, the Client will be responsible for the cost of any subsequent testing required to obtain valid results. The cost for additional testing is \$200.00.

3. Hold Harmless

The Client agrees to hold harmless and release the County and SCPH, its employees, agents, and contractors from any and all claims, damages, losses, liabilities, or expenses (including reasonable attorney fees) arising from or related to:

- The performance of the Lead Inspection Risk Assessment and/or Short-Term Radon Test, provided they are conducted in accordance with applicable Ohio regulations.
- Any health effects, property damage, or other consequences resulting from the presence of lead or radon at the property, as the County's or SCPH's role is limited to identifying and reporting hazards.
- The Client's failure to adhere to the radon testing requirements outlined in Section 2.1, including any costs associated with re-testing due to non-compliance.

4. Acknowledgment and Authorization

By signing below, the Client acknowledges that they:

- Understand the nature and purpose of the Lead Inspection Risk Assessment and Short-Term Radon Test.
- Agree to comply with the radon testing requirements to ensure accurate results.
- Understand that failure to comply with radon testing requirements may result in additional testing costs.
- Have had the opportunity to ask questions and receive clarification about the inspection and testing processes.

Client Signature:	Date:
Cheni Signature.	Date



Notice of Privacy Practices



Your Information. Your Rights. Our Responsibilities.

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.

Your Rights

When it comes to your health information, you have certain rights. This section explains your rights and some of our responsibilities to help you.

Get	an	elec	tro	nic or
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med	lica	l rec	ord	

- · You can ask to see or get an electronic or paper copy of your medical record and other health information we have about you. Ask us how to do this.
- · We will provide a copy or a summary of your health information, usually within 30 days of your request. We may charge a reasonable, cost-based fee.

Ask us to correct your medical record

- You can ask us to correct health information about you that you think is incorrect or incomplete. Ask us how to dothis.
- \cdot We may say "no" to your request, but we'll tell you why in writing within 60 days.

Request confidential communications

- · You can ask us to contact you in a specific way (for example, home or office phone) or to send mail to a different address.
- · We will say "yes" to all reasonable requests.

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Your Rights continued

Ask us to limit what we use or share

- You can ask us not to use or share certain health information for treatment, payment, or our operations.
 - We are not required to agree to your request, and we may say "no" if it would affect your care.
- If you pay for a service or health care item out-of-pocket in full, you can ask us not to share that information for the purpose of payment or our operations with your health insurer.
 - · We will say "yes" unless a law requires us to share thatinformation.

Get a list of those with whom we've shared information

- You can ask for a list (accounting) of the times we've shared your health information for six years prior to the date you ask, who we shared it with, and why.
- We will include all the disclosures except for those about treatment, payment, and health care operations, and certain other disclosures (such as any you asked us to make). We'll provide one accounting a year for free but will charge a reasonable, cost-based fee if you ask for another one within 12 months.

Get a copy of this privacy notice

 You can ask for a paper copy of this notice at any time, even if you have agreed to receive the notice electronically. We will provide you with a paper copy promptly.

Choose someone to act for you

- · If you have given someone medical power of attorney or if someone is your legal guardian, that person can exercise your rights and make choices about your health information.
- We will make sure the person has this authority and can act for you before we take any action.

File a complaint if you feel your rights are violated

- \cdot You can complain if you feel we have violated your rights by contacting us using the information on page I.
- You can file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
 Office for Civil Rights by sending a letter to 200 Independence Avenue, S.W.,
 Washington, D.C. 20201, calling I-877-696-6775, or visiting
 www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/complaints/.
- We will not retaliate against you for filing a complaint.



Your Choices

For certain health information, you can tell us your choices about what we share. If you have a clear preference for how we share your information in the situations described below, talk to us. Tell us what you want us to do, and we will follow your instructions.

In these cases, you have both the right and choice to tell us to:

- Share information with your family, close friends, or others involved in your care
- · Share information in a disaster relief situation
- · Include your information in a hospital directory
- · Contact you for fundraising efforts

If you are not able to tell us your preference, for example if you are unconscious, we may go ahead and share your information if we believe it is in your best interest. We may also share your information when needed to lessen a serious and imminent threat to health or safety.

In these cases we never share your information unless you give us written permission:

- · Marketing purposes
- · Sale of your information
- · Most sharing of psychotherapy notes

In the case of fundraising:

 We may contact you for fundraising efforts, but you can tell us not to contact you again.

Our Uses and Disclosures

How do we typically use or share your health information? We typically use or share your health information in the following ways.

Treat you	 We can use your health information and share it with other professionals who are treating you. 	Example: A doctor treating you for an injury asks another doctor about your overall health condition.
Run our organization	 We can use and share your health information to run our practice, improve your care, and contact you when necessary. 	Example: We use health information about you to manage your treatment and services.
Bill for your services	 We can use and share your health information to bill and get payment from health plans or other entities. 	Example: We give information about you to your health insurance plan so it will pay for your services.

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How else can we use or share your health information? We are allowed or required to share your information in other ways – usually in ways that contribute to the public good, such as public health and research. We have to meet many conditions in the law before we can share your information for these purposes. For more information see: www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/understanding/consumers/index.html.

Help with public health and safety issues	 We can share health information about you for certain situations such as: Preventing disease Helping with product recalls Reporting adverse reactions to medications Reporting suspected abuse, neglect, or domestic violence Preventing or reducing a serious threat to anyone's health or safety
Do research	· We can use or share your information for health research.
Comply with the law	 We will share information about you if state or federal laws require it, including with the Department of Health and Human Services if it wants to see that we're complying with federal privacy law.
Respond to organ and tissue donation requests	 We can share health information about you with organ procurement organizations.
Work with a medical examiner or funeral director	· We can share health information with a coroner, medical examiner, or funeral director when an individual dies.
Address workers' compensation, law enforcement, and other government requests	 We can use or share health information aboutyou: For workers' compensation claims For law enforcement purposes or with a law enforcement official With health oversight agencies for activities authorized by law For special government functions such as military, national security, and presidential protective services
Respond to lawsuits and legal actions	· We can share health information about you in response to a court or administrative order, or in response to a subpoena.

Compliance with Other Laws

Other provisions of law may apply to your information. If any state or federal privacy laws require us to provide you with more privacy protections than those explained here, then we must also follow that law.

The Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records, The

confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records maintained by this program is protected by Federal law and regulations. Generally, the program may not say to a person outside the program that a patient attends the program, or disclose any information identifying a patient as an alcohol or drug abuser unless:

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- (1) The patient consents in writing:
- (2) The disclosure is allowed by a court order; or
- (3) The disclosure is made to medical personnel in a medical emergency or to qualified personnel for research, audit, or program evaluation.

Violation of the Federal law and regulations by a program is a crime. Suspected violations may be reported to appropriate authorities in accordance with Federal regulations. The local SAMHSA Office can be reached at 614-466- 2596 and the local US Attorney General's Office can be reached at 330-375-5716. You may also reach SAMHSA at 1-877-726-4727.

Federal law and regulations do not protect any information about a crime committed by a patient either at the program or against any person who works for the program or about any threat to commit such a crime.

Federal laws and regulations do not protect any information about suspected child abuse or neglect from being reported under State law to appropriate State or local authorities.

(See 42 U.S.C. 290dd-3 and 42 U.S.C. 290ee-3 for Federal laws and 42 CFR part 2 for Federal regulations.)

Our Responsibilities

- · We are required by law to maintain the privacy and security of your protected health information.
- We will let you know promptly if a breach occurs that may have compromised the privacy or security of your information.
- · We must follow the duties and privacy practices described in this notice and give you a copy of it.
- We will not use or share your information other than as described here unless you tell us we can in writing. If you tell us we can, you may change your mind at any time. Let us know in writing if you change your mind.

For more information see: www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/understanding/consumers/noticepp.html.

Changes to the Terms of This Notice

We can change the terms of this notice, and the changes will apply to all information we have about you. The new notice will be available upon request, in our office, and on our web site.

Effective Date: 7/2024

For questions, please contact the Summit County Public Health Privacy Officer by calling 330-923-4891 or email privacy@scph.org.

