

DISCLOSURES OF PHI TO LAW ENFORCEMENT

Situations in which a Workforce Member may disclose PHI to law enforcement without patient authorization:

Permitted Disclosures



When, along with specific representations, law enforcement requests PHI about the victim of a crime and, because of an emergency or incapacity, the victim cannot agree



To alert law enforcement of the death of an individual when there is suspicion that the death resulted from criminal conduct



To aid law enforcement in identifying or apprehending an individual who appears to have escaped from lawful custody



To comply with a court-ordered warrant, subpoena, or summons

Limited Disclosures



To identify or locate a suspect, fugitive, material witness, or missing person



To provide information about a suspected perpetrator of a crime when the report is made by the victim who is a Workforce Member



To identify or apprehend an individual who has admitted participation in a violent crime

In these situations, you may disclose a limited amount of PHI to include: name, address, date, and place of birth, Social Security number, ABO blood type and rh factor, type of injury, date and time of treatment, date and time of death, and a description of distinguishing physical characteristics