

# Emailing Patient Information



## Never include Protected Health Information (PHI) in the subject line

The subject line should communicate the general purpose of the email without disclosing PHI.

## Encrypt emails containing PHI

Emails containing (PHI) **MUST** be encrypted by:

- Including **[Secure]** in the subject line (preferred) or body of the email, or
- Clicking the UConn Health **Secure Email** option in the message ribbon.



## Verify email address

Verify the recipients' email address and double-check that you have entered the address correctly before sending.

## Limit the amount of information shared

Limit the information you include to the minimum necessary.



## Include only those people who need to know

Only include recipients that have a need to know the information.

## Verify Attachments

Open each attachment before sending to verify inclusion of only the intended information.



## Questions?

Contact the Office of Healthcare Compliance & Privacy



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