Baylor College of Medicine

Health Information Exchange (HIE) Opt-Out Form

Name: _____ Date of Birth:_____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

What is a Health Information Exchange (HIE)? HIEs, including, EPIC *Care Everywhere,* are secure ways of electronically sharing health information among participating physician's offices, hospitals, and other health care providers. HIEs allow timely sharing of health information which can improve care. The HIEs that Baylor College of Medicine participate in help these providers share information in a timely manner and more effectively coordinate your care.

What Happens if I OPT OUT? By choosing to **opt out** of the HIEs Baylor College of Medicine participates in, including EPIC *Care Everywhere*, the following will occur (initial each item):

____ **Opting out** of the HIE may delay access to important medical information by your treating providers;

____ Your health information will not be shared among health care providers through the HIE. Instead, your providers will continue to share your health information through current methods, such as phone, fax or mail.

____ Your health information will **NOT** be shared with other HIEs in which Baylor College of Medicine may participate.

____ Any information shared before Baylor College of Medicine receives this signed opt-out form may remain with providers who accessed information before the opt-out went into effect.

____ Your **HIE Opt Out** decision will remain in effect unless you complete a written Opt In form.

____ Your request can take up to 7 business days to take effect.

I have read and understand the information provided in this document and choose to **Opt Out** of the HIE platforms that Baylor College of Medicine uses, including *Care Everywhere.*

_____ _____
Signature Date

_____ _____
Name of Legal Representative* Relationship to Patient

***Attach Documents demonstrating legal authority to act on behalf of the patient**

Please Return To:
Baylor College of Medicine
Attn: Release of Information (ROI)
One Baylor Plaza
Houston, TX 77030
713-798-1464 (Fax) or hieoption@bcm.edu

Thank you for Choosing Baylor College of Medicine