

SUMMARY OF PRIVACY PRACTICES
FOR
RETINAL CONSULTANTS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
MEDICAL GROUP, INC.

This summary of our privacy practices contains a condensed version of our Notice of Privacy Practices. Our full length Notice is available upon request.

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.

We understand that your medical information is personal to you, and we are committed to protecting the information about you. As your patient, we create medical records about your health, our care for you, and the services and/or items we provide to you as our patient. By law, we are required to make sure that your protected health information is kept private.

How will we use or disclose your information? Here are a few examples (for more detail, please refer to the Notice of Privacy Practices that is available upon request):

- For medical treatment
- To obtain payment for our services
- In emergency situations
- For research
- To avert a serious threat to health or safety
- For accurate medical records keeping and correspondence to referring physicians
- For appointment and patient call reminders
- For workers' compensation programs
- To run our practice more efficiently and ensure all our patients receive quality care
- In response to certain requests arising out of lawsuits or other disputes

If you believe your privacy rights have been violated, you may file a complaint with Retinal Consultants or with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. To file a complaint, contact our office. All complaints must be submitted in writing.

You have certain rights regarding the information we maintain about you. These rights include:

- The right to inspect and copy
- The right to amend
- The right to an accounting of disclosures
- The right to request restrictions
- The right to a copy of this notice
- The right to request confidential communications

For more information about these rights, please see the detailed Notice of Privacy Practices available on request.