



The Federal Government implemented legislation passed in 1996 called the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The primary intent of this legislation was to protect employees and their dependents from discrimination based on health status. Part of this legislation deals with confidentiality of medical information.

You have been invited to a model of medical care called a group diabetes self-management. We have found that perhaps the greatest benefits of the group sessions is learning from each other about the day to day management of different conditions, learning that we are not alone and having the opportunity to help someone else in living with their medical problems. . Some of your medical information will be shared with the group and you will hear about the medical care of others in the group. If there are any matters you would prefer not to discuss there will always be time available with a provider after the group. Your medical information will remain confidential as it always has. The group as a whole will be asked to keep these discussions confidential.

I ask you to sign below indicating that you understand not discuss or share the medical information of others in the group outside of the group session without their consent.

Thank you,

Susan B. Riley DNP, FNP, CDE

Print Name

Date

Patient Signature