

CLAIMS-MADE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE RENEWAL APPLICATION

For Healthcare Professionals
(Physicians and Surgeons)

AGENT INFORMATION

Agent name: _____

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Website: _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND CHECKLIST

Prior to completing the attached application, please read and follow these instructions. Please verify that all required attachments are included so that we may process your application promptly and efficiently.

- Please complete this form electronically or print your responses legibly.
- Please sign and date the application where indicated.
- All information requested must be fully and accurately completed.
- If changes or corrections must be made to the completed application, strike out or line through the incorrect information, write in the modification, and initial and date the change.
- If a particular question does not apply to you, please write "N/A."
- The Medical Procedures questionnaire must be completed. If the procedures you perform are not mentioned in the questionnaire, please list them in the Remarks section.
- If you wish to explain any of your answers, please use the Remarks section. If you need additional space, please continue your answers on a separate page and attach it to the application.

If you need additional forms or have any questions about the application, please contact your broker/agent, or call The Doctors Company Member Services at (800) 421-2368. To complete an electronic version of this application, please visit www.thedoctors.com/physician-renew.

PRACTICE INFORMATION

1. First name: _____ Middle name: _____ Last name: _____ Suffix: _____ Title: _____

2. Policy number: _____

3. Home address: _____

Home telephone number: _____ E-mail address(es): _____

4. Billing address: _____

5. Mailing address: _____

6. Primary practice address: _____

Office telephone number: _____ Fax number: _____

Please indicate if you own, rent, or lease this location: _____ *If other, please explain in the Remarks section.*

Website address(es): _____

7. Secondary practice location: _____

Telephone number: _____ Fax number: _____

Please indicate if you own, rent, or lease this location: _____ *If other, please explain in the Remarks section.*

If more than two practice addresses are to be covered by this policy, please list additional information in Remarks section.

8. Do you have locations where you provide or serve as the following:

Medical director: Yes No Medical services: Yes No

Independent contractor: Yes No Supervision only: Yes No

If yes to any of the above, please provide name and location:

9. Please list all hospitals and facilities at which you have maintained privileges in the past five years and the status of those privileges:

10. Do you practice at locations covered by other insurance? Yes No *If yes, please attach proof of coverage.*

11. What are your average number of practice hours per week that will be covered by this policy including office hours, administrative activities, direct patient care, surgery, consultation, etc. (excluding on-call)? _____

12. Estimate the number of patients seen on an average weekly basis: _____

13. Do you use/own an entity, DBA, fictitious name, etc.? Yes No *If yes, please list the name(s), complete the entity application, and provide Medical Board Fictitious Name Permit(s):*

14. Are you employed by, or contracted to work for, any doctor(s), group(s), or entity(ies)?

Yes No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section or provide supporting documents.*

15. Are you sharing office space, employees, billing, or letterhead with any physician(s), group(s), entity(ies), etc.?

Yes No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section or provide supporting documents.*

16. Do you maintain an ownership interest (in whole or in part) in any entity(ies) related to the practice of medicine (spa, laboratory, surgery center, etc.)?

Yes No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section or provide supporting documents.*

17. In the past 18 months, have you been involved with any actual, negotiated, or attempted mergers, acquisitions, or divestments?
 Yes No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section or provide supporting documents.*
18. Do you contemplate transacting any mergers or acquisitions in the next 12 months?
 Yes No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section or provide supporting documents.*
19. Please list all of your employed, contracted, or leased ancillaries (RN, MA) and physician extenders (NP, PA, CRNA, midwife), including their titles:
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|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Name: _____ | Title: _____ | Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| Name: _____ | Title: _____ | Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
20. Do you supervise any ancillaries or physician extenders that are insured elsewhere?
 Yes No *If yes, please provide details in Remarks section and include proof of insurance.*
21. Please indicate if you are an active member of any medical society and/or specialty association. Please include your membership number(s):

22. Do you provide medical information or advice, prescribe medications, or sell any products or services via telecommunications, information systems, or the Internet?
 Yes No *If yes, please explain in the Remarks section.*
23. Do you read or interpret slides, specimens, x-rays, etc., that come from another state or states?
 Yes No *If yes, please indicate the state(s) and your license number(s):* _____
24. Do you contract with nursing homes or correctional facilities to provide professional services?
 Yes No *If yes, please explain in the Remarks section.*
25. Since your last application to The Doctors Company, have you made any changes to your practice, such as new procedures, locations, staff, etc.?
 Yes No *If yes, please explain in the Remarks section.*
26. Are you now or have you ever been the subject of any sexual misconduct accusation?
 Yes No *If yes, please explain in the Remarks section.*
27. Do you perform medical legal evaluations?
 Yes No *If yes, please explain for whom and provide percentage of practice in the Remarks section.*
28. Since your last application to The Doctors Company, are you now being or have you been evaluated for, diagnosed with, or treated for alcohol, narcotics, or any other substance abuse, sexual addiction, anger management issues, or any mental illness?
 Yes No *If yes, please include a letter from your treating physician or institution outlining dates of treatment, results of treatment, current status, and any agreement you have made with any recovery organization.*
29. Since your last application to The Doctors Company, have you become aware of any chronic illness or physical defect that impairs or could impair your ability to practice your specialty?
 Yes No *If yes, please include a letter from your treating physician or institution outlining dates of treatment, results of treatment, and current status, and any limitations on your ability to practice.*
30. Other than claims already reported to us, do you have any investigations currently in progress or pending by any state licensing board, board of medical examiners, DEA, or other governmental agency?
 Yes No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section for each claim/incident.*
31. Since your last application to The Doctors Company, have you been indicted for, arrested for, pled guilty to, or been convicted of any crime(s) other than minor traffic violations?
 Yes No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*
32. Since your last application to The Doctors Company, have your staff privileges at any hospital or healthcare facility been suspended, refused, revoked, placed on probation, or in any way restricted, or do you have an investigation relative to your staff privileges pending or in progress at any hospital or healthcare facility?
 Yes No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*

MEDICAL PROCEDURES

Do you perform any procedures for which you did not receive training in your residency or that are outside the customary scope of practice of your specialty?

Yes No *If yes, please list the procedures:*

Do you perform bariatric surgery? Yes No

Do you operate on the spine? Yes No

Do you perform deliveries? Yes No

If yes, how many deliveries do you perform per year?
In a hospital: _____ In a birthing center: _____ In a patient's home: _____

Do you perform in vitro fertilization (IVF)? Yes No

Please indicate if you or any of your staff perform the following procedures:

	Physician	Non-Physician Licensed Staff	Non-Licensed Staff
Botox Injection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chemical Peel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cosmetic Tattooing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laser Hair Removal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laser Wrinkle Removal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Microdermabrasion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sclerotherapy (Specify procedure _____)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Cosmetic Procedures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please check all procedures that you perform:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Abortion | <input type="checkbox"/> Closed Reduction (other than simple) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hysterectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Therapeutic Abortion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adenoidectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Colonoscopy | <input type="checkbox"/> Laparoscopy | <input type="checkbox"/> Tonsillectomy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anal Fistulectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Cryotherapy and LEEPs | <input type="checkbox"/> Myringotomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Tubal Ligation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Analgesia, IV Conscious Sedation | <input type="checkbox"/> Culdocentesis | <input type="checkbox"/> Nasal Polypectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Vasectomy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anesthesia (Spinal) | <input type="checkbox"/> Dilatation and Curettage | <input type="checkbox"/> Normal Vaginal Delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> VBAC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appendectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Elective Cardioversion | <input type="checkbox"/> Oophorectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Vein Stripping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cesarean Section Delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> Endometrial Biopsy | <input type="checkbox"/> Orchiectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Weight Loss |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cholecystectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Endoscopic Procedures | <input type="checkbox"/> Prenatal & Postnatal Care | Diet _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Circumcision (adult) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hemorrhoidectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Salpingectomy | Meds _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Circumcision (pediatric only) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrocelectomy | <input type="checkbox"/> Tendon Repair | |

CARDIOLOGY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Catheterization | <input type="checkbox"/> Coronary Angiography | <input type="checkbox"/> Coronary Angioplasty/Stents |
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COSMETIC PROCEDURES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Abdominoplasty | <input type="checkbox"/> Autologous Fat Injection | <input type="checkbox"/> Thermage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blepharoplasty | <input type="checkbox"/> Breast Augmentation | <input type="checkbox"/> Breast Reduction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coronal Lift | <input type="checkbox"/> Endoscopic-Assisted Forehead Lift | <input type="checkbox"/> Facial Laser Resurfacing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair Implant | <input type="checkbox"/> Implants Other than Breast | <input type="checkbox"/> "Lifestyle" Lift |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liposuction | <input type="checkbox"/> Rhinoplasty (Cosmetic) | <input type="checkbox"/> Rhytidectomy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Penile-Related Cosmetic Procedure | <input type="checkbox"/> Rhinoplasty (Functional Only) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sex Reassignment Surgery |

OPHTHALMOLOGY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Treatment Only | <input type="checkbox"/> All Surgical Procedures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Surgical Procedures—limited to minor surgical procedures, including: | |
| • Assisting in Surgery | • Laser Trabeculoplasty |
| • Laser Iridoplasty | • Laser Ablation |
| • Laser Iridotomy | • Laser Capsulotomy |
| • Laser Punctal Closure | |

PAIN MANAGEMENT

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Block (spine and non-spine) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cryoanalgesia | <input type="checkbox"/> Dorsal Column Stimulator Implants | <input type="checkbox"/> Kyphoplasty |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Epidural or Spinal Catheter | <input type="checkbox"/> Intra-Articular Block (joint injection) | <input type="checkbox"/> Intradiscal Electrothermal Therapy | <input type="checkbox"/> Vertebroplasty |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Myofascial Trigger Point Injections | <input type="checkbox"/> Nerve Root Injections | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio Frequency Nerve Ablation | <input type="checkbox"/> M.I.L.D. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Detoxification | <input type="checkbox"/> Spinal Infusion Implant | <input type="checkbox"/> Spinal Infusion Pump | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spinal Stimulation Implant | <input type="checkbox"/> Spinal Stimulation Programming | <input type="checkbox"/> Stellate Ganglion Block | |

NOTE: If there are procedures that are not listed above that you perform, please provide us with a detailed list in the Remarks section or in a separate attachment.

AGREEMENTS

AGREEMENT: I do hereby affirm the truth of all statements and answers, and that I have not intentionally withheld any information that could influence the judgment of the company in considering this application for insurance. I have also made a reasonable inquiry, where appropriate, to ensure the responses herein are as complete and accurate as possible. I understand that any erroneous information or material misrepresentation may cause immediate rescission of my insurance coverage.

AGREEMENT: I understand that no coverage will be bound by the company until such time as I have signed the application and returned the original to the company with the required payment.

AGREEMENT: I understand that in order to underwrite the requested insurance, the company must have access to all possible information concerning my professional conduct and experience. I hereby authorize and direct any medical society, medical doctor, hospital, residency program, insurance company, interindemnity arrangement, underwriter, or insurance agent to furnish any information concerning me or my medical practice that the company may request.

AGREEMENT: Since I understand that the free exchange of information is essential, I agree that any person or organization furnishing information to the company pursuant to this consent and direction, together with the agent, employees, or officers of such person or organization, will not be liable to me in any way for furnishing such information.

AGREEMENT: I agree that this application shall be deemed appended to and a part of, any policy of insurance issued to me based on this application.

AGREEMENT: I further agree that my signature of this application shall be deemed to be a concurrent execution of the attached Subscriber Agreement and Power of Attorney.

SIGNATURE REQUIRED:

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Applicant Signature

Date

NOTICES

INSURANCE FRAUD WARNING

ALABAMA

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit, or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to restitution fines or confinement in prison, or any combination thereof.

ARKANSAS

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment for a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

COLORADO

It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance, and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to a policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado Division of Insurance within the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WARNING: It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.

FLORIDA

Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree.

IDAHO

Any person who knowingly, and with intent to defraud or deceive any insurance company, files a statement containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

KANSAS

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person by presenting any written statement as part of an application for insurance, the rating of an insurance policy, or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading information concerning any fact material thereto has committed a fraudulent insurance act.

KENTUCKY

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.

LOUISIANA

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

NOTICES (CONTINUED)

MAINE

It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines or denial of insurance benefits.

MARYLAND

Any person who knowingly and willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit, or who knowingly and willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

MINNESOTA

A person who submits an application or files a claim with intent to defraud or helps commit a fraud against an insurer is guilty of a crime.

MISSOURI

An insurance company or its agent or representative may not ask an applicant or policyholder to divulge in a written application or otherwise whether any insurer has canceled or refused to renew or issue to the applicant or policyholder a policy of insurance. If a question of this nature appears in this application, you should not respond.

NEW JERSEY

Any person who includes any false or misleading information on an application for an insurance policy is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

NEW MEXICO

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to civil fines and criminal penalties.

NEW YORK

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

OHIO

Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement is guilty of insurance fraud.

OKLAHOMA

WARNING: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony. The absence of such a statement shall not constitute a defense in any prosecution.

OREGON

Any person who makes an intentional misstatement that is material to the risk may be found guilty of insurance fraud by a court of law.

PENNSYLVANIA

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

RHODE ISLAND

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

TENNESSEE

It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits.

VIRGINIA

It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines, and denial of insurance benefits and civil damages.

WASHINGTON

It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines, and denial of insurance benefits.

WEST VIRGINIA

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

SUBSCRIBER AGREEMENT AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

For and in consideration of similar agreements executed or to be executed by other Subscribers and of the benefits of the exchange of such agreement, the Subscriber agrees to the below-stated terms and conditions.

1. The undersigned subscribes for membership in The Doctors Company and agrees with The Doctors Company and with other Subscribers, through their Attorney-in-Fact, The Doctors Management Company (“the Attorney”), to exchange with all other Subscribers contracts of liability insurance, or reinsurance, in a form and containing terms and conditions as are approved by The Doctors Company Board of Governors.
2. Subscriber designates and appoints the Attorney to be his or her true and lawful agent and Attorney-in-Fact to act in his or her name, place, and stead and in the name of The Doctors Company , to exchange contracts of insurance and to do all things that the Subscribers might or could do severally or jointly with regard to the operation and management of The Doctors Company and the business of interinsurance. Subscriber adopts and approves the Management Agreement between The Doctors Company and the Attorney, as it may be amended from time to time, and of any successor Management Agreement as it also may be amended.
3. Subscriber delegates to the Board of Governors of The Doctors Company authority to negotiate all the terms and conditions of the Management Agreement between The Doctors Company and the Attorney on behalf of the Subscriber, including, but not limited to, the compensation to be paid to the Attorney by the Subscriber or The Doctors Company .
4. Subscriber further delegates to the Board of Governors of The Doctors Company all necessary and proper powers to conduct, manage, and control the affairs and business of The Doctors Company , subject to those retained by law or through the Rules and Regulations of The Doctors Company , or as they may be further amended at the Annual Meeting of Subscribers.
5. The Board of Governors is made up of public and professional members elected by a majority of Subscribers present or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting of Subscribers. Governors generally serve four-year terms. Each year, Governors with expiring terms will stand for election.
6. Subscribership begins with the commencement of the policy period of the liability insurance policy issued by The Doctors Company and ends upon cancellation or other termination of that policy. The period of subscription shall not include any period of coverage under extended reporting policies or extended reporting or tail coverage endorsements. After termination of subscription, Subscriber shall have no further rights to participate in any distribution of savings to Subscribers or in any distribution of assets upon dissolution of The Doctors Company .
7. The Board of Governors may appoint any individual, partnership, or corporation to become successor to the Attorney with all of the powers and duties stated in this Agreement. All references to “Attorney” shall then be deemed to include such successor Attorney-in-Fact.
8. The principal offices of The Doctors Company and the Attorney shall be maintained at Napa, California, or at such other place approved by the Board of Governors.
9. The Agreement can be signed by each Subscriber separately with the same effect as if the signatures of all Subscribers were on one and the same instrument, and signature of the Application to which this Agreement is attached shall constitute signature of this Agreement. This Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until revoked by the written request of Subscriber who has signed this document. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of the State of California. All Subscriber Agreements shall be binding upon all Subscribers, and the provision of each shall not materially differ. Wherever the word “Subscriber” is used, it refers to all members of The Doctors Company , including the Subscriber who has signed this document.

PROXY

I appoint the members of the Board of Governors, and each of them, agents and attorneys with powers of substitution in each of them my lawful proxy to vote and act for me and in my name at all annual, regular, and special meetings of the Subscribers of The Doctors Company.

This proxy is solicited on behalf of the management of The Doctors Company and will empower the holders to vote on the Subscriber's behalf for the election of members of the Board of Governors and such other business as may properly come before any annual, regular, or special meeting of Subscribers.

This proxy, unless revoked or replaced by substitution, shall remain in force for five years from the date stated below.

You may revoke this proxy by giving The Doctors Company written notice of your revocation at least 10 days before the date of any annual, regular, or special meeting at which such proxy is to be exercised. If you attend a meeting, you may revoke this proxy if you choose to vote in person.

The signing of this proxy is not a condition of completion of this application and your signature, or your failure or refusal to sign, will not be considered in connection with the underwriting of your application.

SIGNATURE (OPTIONAL):

X

Signature

Date

Type or print name: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

INSURANCE APPLICANT BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT

This Business Associate Agreement is entered into by and between The Doctors Company, including all of its subsidiaries, hereinafter referred to as “we,” and “you” in conjunction with the policy of insurance we have entered into with you. This agreement supersedes and replaces any prior Business Associate Agreement (“BAA”).

We are committed to comply with the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (“HIPAA”) and as modified by the HITECH provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and related rules and as may be modified subsequently (the “Privacy Regulations”). Under the Privacy Regulations, you are a “covered entity,” and as required by 45 C.F.R. Section 164.502(e) and 45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e), we acknowledge that we, in certain instances, may be your “business associate.” We must use and disclose information that identifies an individual; relates to health, health treatment, or healthcare payment; and is maintained in any form (e.g., electronic, paper, oral) (“Protected Health Information” or “PHI”) in our performance of services under this Policy, and we agree to abide by the assurances, terms, and conditions contained herein in the performance of our obligations.

This document sets forth the terms, conditions, and obligations pursuant to which Protected Health Information that is provided, created, or received by us from you or on your behalf, will be handled.

We agree as follows:

A. Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information.

Pursuant to this Agreement, we provide services (“Services”) for your operations that may involve the use and disclosure of Protected Health Information as defined by the Privacy Regulations. These Services may include, among others, quality assessment; quality improvement; outcomes evaluation; protocol and clinical guidelines development; reviewing the competence or qualifications of healthcare professionals; evaluating practitioner and provider performance; conducting training programs to improve the skills of healthcare practitioners and providers; credentialing, conducting, or arranging for medical review; arranging for legal services; conducting or arranging for audits to improve compliance; resolution of internal grievances; placing stop-loss and excess of loss insurance; and other functions necessary to perform these Services. Except as otherwise specified herein, we may make any uses of Protected Health Information necessary to perform our obligations under this Agreement. All other uses not authorized by this Agreement are prohibited. Moreover, we may disclose Protected Health Information for the purposes authorized by this Agreement: (i) to our employees, subcontractors, and agents, in accordance with Section D(5) below; (ii) as directed by you in writing; or (iii) as otherwise permitted by the terms of this Agreement. Additionally, unless otherwise limited herein, we are permitted to make the following uses and disclosures:

B. Our Obligations and Activities.

We may use and disclose the Protected Health Information in our possession to third parties for the purpose of our proper management and administration, such as obtaining reinsurance, or to fulfill any of our present or future legal responsibilities, such as complying with insurance regulator requests, provided that (i) the disclosures are required by law; or (ii) we have received from the third party written assurances regarding its confidential handling of such Protected Health Information as required under 45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(4) and where necessary received a BAA.

C. In addition to using the Protected Health Information to perform the services set forth above, we may:

- (1) Aggregate the Protected Health Information in our possession with the Protected Health Information of other covered entities that we have in our possession through our capacity as a business associate to said other covered entities, provided that the purpose of such aggregation is to provide you with data analyses relating to your healthcare operations. Under no circumstances may we disclose Protected Health Information of one covered entity as defined by 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164 to another covered entity absent your express written authorization; and
- (2) De-identify any and all Protected Health Information provided that the de-identification conforms to the requirements of 45 C.F.R. Section 164.514(b), and further provided that you are sent the documentation required by 45 C.F.R. Section 164.15(b), which shall be in the form of a written assurance from us. Pursuant to 45 C.F.R. 164.502(d)(2), de-identified information does not constitute Protected Health Information and is not subject to the terms of this Agreement.

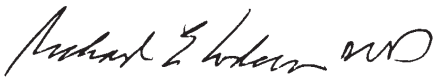
D. With regard to our use and/or disclosure of Protected Health Information, we agree to do the following:

- (1) Use and/or disclose the Protected Health Information only as permitted or required by this Agreement or as otherwise required by law and then only to the minimum necessary extent to accomplish the intended purpose of the use;
- (2) Report to your designated Privacy Officer, in writing, any use and/or disclosure of the Protected Health Information that is not permitted or required by this Agreement of which we become aware as soon as practical and within ten (10) business days of our discovery of such unauthorized use and/or disclosure. Where practical and possible, we will take steps to mitigate the harmful effect of any unpermitted disclosure of PHI;

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- (3) Use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain the security of the Protected Health Information and take appropriate physical, administrative, and technical safeguards to prevent unauthorized use and/or disclosure of such Protected Health Information;
- (4) Require all of our subcontractors and agents that undertake to perform the services that we perform under this Agreement and that receive, use, or have access to Protected Health Information under this Agreement to agree, in writing, to adhere to the same restrictions and conditions on the use and/or disclosure of Protected Health Information that apply to us pursuant to this Agreement;
- (5) Unless prohibited by attorney-client and other applicable legal privileges or unless it would violate our contractual and other legal obligation to you, make available all records, books, agreements, policies, and procedures relating to the use and/or disclosure of Protected Health Information to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services for purposes of determining your compliance with the Privacy Regulations;
- (6) Upon prior written request, make available during normal business hours at our offices all records, books, agreements, policies, and procedures relating to the use and/or disclosure of Protected Health Information to you within five (5) business days for purposes of enabling you to determine our compliance under the terms of this Agreement;
- (7) We shall honor any request from you for information to assist in responding to an individual's request for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information to us. However, should you be asked for an accounting of the disclosures of an individual's Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. Section 164.528, such accounting should not include any disclosures to us which are to carry out your healthcare operations. See 45 C.F.R. Section 164.528(a)(1)(i);
- (8) Upon termination of this Policy, the protections of this Agreement will remain in force and we shall make no further uses and disclosures of Protected Health Information except for the proper management and administration of our business or as required by law;
- (9) In those instances when you would be required to honor an individual's request for access and/or amendment of Protected Health Information disclosed to us, we will assist you to comply with your duties under 45 C.F.R. Sections 154.524 and 164.526. However, usually you will not be required to honor such requests because Protected Health Information in our possession is not part of a designated record set as that term is defined by 45 C.F.R. 164.501; and/or because the information is exempt from access and amendment under 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.524(a) and 164.526(a)(2); and/or because access would violate your superseding contractual and other legal rights; and/or because any amendment could be tampering with evidence in a civil or administrative matter;
- (10) You may terminate this Agreement by canceling this Policy if we violate a material term of this Agreement;
- (11) You agree that we may modify this Agreement as required to comply with applicable laws or regulations.

In witness whereof, The Doctors Company has caused this Agreement to be signed by its Chairman at its Home Office.



Richard E. Anderson, MD
Chairman of the Board of Governors