

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE EXPRESS 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.
- Claims information should be provided for a six-year experience period. This applies to open and closed claims and to any incidents reported to a previous carrier. It is important that you provide complete and detailed claims information, including current company loss runs.

Required Attachments

Please include a current copy of the following documents with the application:

- ☐ Your curriculum vitae (CV).
- ☐ Your Declarations Page from your current policy, showing your policy period, limits of liability, retroactive date, and any exclusions that were applied to your policy.
- ☐ Your loss runs from all insurance carriers that insured you for the past six years (if applicable).
- ☐ Your current letterhead and advertisements, including online marketing used in the last year and a copy of the homepage of your website (if applicable).

Insurance coverage is subject to underwriting approval and payment of the premium. No coverage exists until the premium is received and a binder or coverage summary, together with any endorsements that may apply, has been issued to the first named insured.

Except to the extent as may otherwise be provided in the policy and its endorsements, the coverage of a claims-made policy is limited generally to liability for only those claims that are first reported in writing to the Company while the policy is in force.

Claims-made vs. Occurrence: Claims-made policies generally cover incidents and events that both happen and are reported to us while you have a policy with The Doctors Company. You may request a retroactive date to allow you to report to us claims that arise out of incidents that took place previously while you were insured elsewhere. You can also purchase extended reporting, or tail, coverage which will allow you to report claims that arise out of incidents occurring after your retroactive date but before you ended your policy with us but which are reported after you end your coverage with us.

Occurrence policies cover incidents that happen while you were covered by a policy issued by The Doctors Company, but can be reported anytime (even if you no longer have a policy with us).

In some states we offer a third option claims-made with Pre-paid Extended Reporting Period "Tail". This option works a lot like an occurrence policy and the cost of the tail coverage is included in your claims-made premium.

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

COVERAGE SELECTION

Please indicate coverage type desired:

- ☐ Claims-made (*available in all states*)
Covers incidents that take place after the retroactive date and are reported during the policy period.
- ☐ Occurrence (*Only available in IN, MI, NM, NY, and SC*)
Covers incidents that take place during the policy period regardless of when reported as a claim.
- ☐ Claims-made with Pre-paid Extended Reporting Period "Tail" (*Only available in MA, MI, and OH*)

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

1. First name: _____ Middle name: _____ Last name: _____ Suffix: _____ Title: _____
2. Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ 3. Social Security number: _____ 4. Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female
5. E-mail address(es): _____
6. Website address(es): _____ 7. National Provider ID number (if available): _____
8. This application is a ☐ Request to join a physician or group already insured under policy number: _____ or
☐ New application with The Doctors Company
9. Practice address: Please list all office locations and entities for which you are requesting coverage. Please indicate if they are:
hospital, medical office, surgery center, nursing home, urgent care center, correctional facility, etc.

10. Office phone number: _____ Fax number: _____
11. Home address and telephone number: _____
12. Billing address: _____
13. Requested effective date (coverage start date): _____ Requested retroactive date (prior acts date): _____
14. If prior acts coverage is not being requested, are you purchasing extended reporting (tail) coverage from your prior carrier?
☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide proof of tail coverage. If no, please explain in Remarks section.*

PRACTICE INFORMATION

15. Primary specialty: _____ Percentage of practice: _____
Secondary specialty: _____ Percentage of practice: _____
16. Are you ABMS or AOA Board certified? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, date of certification or recertification: _____
17. Are you currently participating in a Maintenance of Certification program? ☐ Yes ☐ No
18. Please indicate your medical license(s): _____ License state(s): _____ Number(s): _____
19. a) Please indicate 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): _____
b) Estimate the number of patients seen on an average weekly basis: _____
20. Current carrier: _____ Number of years with carrier: _____ Current premium: _____
21. Have you ever practiced medicine while you were uninsured? ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please explain in the Remarks section.*
22. Are you affiliated with any other doctor or group? ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide information in the Remarks section.*

PRACTICE INFORMATION

23. Do you have locations where you provide or serve as a medical director?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide name and location: _____

24. Do you maintain an ownership interest (in whole or in part) in any entity(ies) related to the practice of medicine (e.g., spa, laboratory)?

☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please list name(s) and explain:* _____

25. Do you share office space, employees, billing, or letterhead with any physician?

☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*

26. Please list all of your employed or contracted ancillaries, including their titles (please note that if you employ an NP, PA, CRNA, CNM, optometrist, or chiropractor, a separate application and additional information will be required):

Name: _____ Title: _____ Name: _____ Title: _____

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27. Do you supervise ancillaries who are insured elsewhere?

☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide proof of their insurance.*

28. Please indicate if you are an active member of any medical society or specialty association: _____

29. Please list all hospitals and healthcare facilities at which you have current privileges and the status of those privileges:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

30. Please indicate the limits of liability requested (example: \$1,000,000 per claim, \$3,000,000 annual aggregate):

Per claim: _____ Annual aggregate: _____

31. Have your limits of liability changed (increased or decreased) in the past three years?

☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please indicate your prior limits of liability:* _____

32. Are you involved or do you participate in non-IRB-approved clinical research trials?

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

33. Do you have a contract to provide professional services at any nursing home or correctional facility?

☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents (i.e. your contract with the facility).*

34. Are you now being or have you ever 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, and current status, and any agreement you have made with any recovery organization.*

35. Are you 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 the specialty(ies) listed.*

36. Have you ever had professional liability insurance declined, nonrenewed, canceled, or restricted, or have you had an involuntary deductible or surcharge assessed against you? NOTE: MISSOURI APPLICANTS DO NOT RESPOND.

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

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37. Have you ever appeared before, been investigated by, entered into any consent agreement with, or do you have an investigation 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 copies of complaint and disposition documents.*
38. Has your license to practice or your DEA/narcotics license ever been denied, revoked, suspended, placed on probation, or limited in any way?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*
39. Has any physician, patient, or insurance plan ever filed a complaint against you with any medical association/ society or foundation, consumer protection agency, Chamber of Commerce, or Better Business Bureau?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*
40. Have you ever been arrested, indicted, pled guilty to, or been convicted of any crime other than minor traffic violations not involving any allegation of alcohol or substance use?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*
41. Has your participation in any governmental or nongovernmental health program (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid, HMO, PPO, or any managed care program) ever been suspended, placed on probation, terminated, or limited in any way?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*
42. Have your staff privileges at any hospital or healthcare facility ever 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 (i.e. your contract with the facility).*
43. Have you ever withdrawn any application for hospital or healthcare facility staff privileges?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*
44. Have you ever been accused of sexual misconduct?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*
45. Are you aware of any circumstances that might be reasonably expected to lead to a claim or suit (even if you believe the possible claim or suit would be without merit) that have not been reported to your current or prior medical professional liability carrier?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please provide details in the Remarks section and include supporting documents.*
46. Have you been a party to a malpractice claim, suit, or incident in the past six years?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No *If yes, please complete the attached Claim Information form for each claim/incident.*

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

☐

☐

☐

Chemical Peel

☐

☐

☐

Cosmetic Tattooing

☐

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Laser Hair Removal

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Laser Wrinkle Removal

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Microdermabrasion

☐

☐

☐

Sclerotherapy (Specify procedure _____)

☐

☐

☐

Other Cosmetic Procedures

☐

☐

☐

Please check all procedures that you perform:

☐ Abortion

☐ Closed Reduction (other than simple)

☐ Hysterectomy

☐ Therapeutic Abortion

☐ Adenoidectomy

☐ Colonoscopy

☐ Laparoscopy

☐ Tonsillectomy

☐ Anal Fistulectomy

☐ Cryotherapy and LEEPs

☐ Myringotomy

☐ Tubal Ligation

☐ Analgesia, IV Conscious Sedation

☐ Culdocentesis

☐ Nasal Polypectomy

☐ Vasectomy

☐ Anesthesia (Spinal)

☐ Dilatation and Curettage

☐ Normal Vaginal Delivery

☐ VBAC

☐ Appendectomy

☐ Elective Cardioversion

☐ Oophorectomy

☐ Vein Stripping

☐ Cesarean Section Delivery

☐ Endometrial Biopsy

☐ Orchiectomy

☐ Weight Loss

☐ Cholecystectomy

☐ Endoscopic Procedures

☐ Prenatal & Postnatal Care

Diet _____

☐ Circumcision (adult)

☐ Hemorrhoidectomy

☐ Salpingectomy

Meds _____

☐ Circumcision (pediatric only)

☐ Hydrocelectomy

☐ Tendon Repair

Other _____

CARDIOLOGY

☐ Cardiac Catheterization

☐ Coronary Angiography

☐ Coronary Angioplasty/Stents

☐ Other

COSMETIC PROCEDURES

☐ Abdominoplasty

☐ Autologous Fat Injection

☐ Thermage

☐ Blepharoplasty

☐ Breast Augmentation

☐ Breast Reduction

☐ Coronal Lift

☐ Endoscopic-Assisted Forehead Lift

☐ Facial Laser Resurfacing

☐ Hair Implant

☐ Implants Other than Breast

☐ "Lifestyle" Lift

☐ Liposuction

☐ Rhinoplasty (Cosmetic)

☐ Rhytidectomy

☐ Penile-Related Cosmetic Procedure

☐ Rhinoplasty (Functional Only)

☐ Sex Reassignment Surgery

☐ Other

OPHTHALMOLOGY

☐ Medical Treatment Only

☐ All Surgical Procedures

☐ Limited Surgical Procedures—limited to minor surgical procedures, including:

• Assisting in Surgery

• Laser Trabeculoplasty

• Laser Iridotomy

• Laser Punctal Closure

• Laser Iridoplasty

• Laser Ablation

• Laser Capsulotomy

• Other

PAIN MANAGEMENT

☐ Block (spine and non-spine)

☐ Cryoanalgesia

☐ Dorsal Column Stimulator Implants

☐ Kyphoplasty

☐ Epidural or Spinal Catheter

☐ Intra-Articular Block (joint injection)

☐ Intradiscal Electrothermal Therapy

☐ Vertebroplasty

☐ Myofascial Trigger Point Injections

☐ Nerve Root Injections

☐ Radio Frequency Nerve Ablation

☐ M.I.L.D.

☐ Rapid Detoxification

☐ Spinal Infusion Implant

☐ Spinal Infusion Pump

☐ Other

☐ Spinal Stimulation Implant

☐ Spinal Stimulation Programming

☐ 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.

CLAIM INFORMATION

This section should be completed only if you answered yes to question #42 on page 5. Please photocopy and complete this form for each additional claim. If more space is needed on each report, continue information on your letterhead. Please write legibly.

1. Name of patient: _____

2. Age: _____ 3. Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

4. Relationship to patient (e.g., attending physician, consultant, primary surgeon, assistant surgeon):

5. Allegation: _____

6. Date of incident (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ 7. Location: _____

8. Insurance carrier(s): _____

9. Other defendants: _____

10. Present status: ☐ Open claim Indemnity and expenses reserved: _____

☐ Closed claim Loss of: \$ _____ Expenses paid: \$ _____

Date closed: _____ ☐ Settlement ☐ Judgment

11. Conditions and diagnosis at time of incident:

12. Dates and description of professional services rendered:

13. Condition of patient subsequent to professional services (and dates of follow-up visits, if known):

REMARKS SECTION

Lined area for remarks.

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:

X

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.

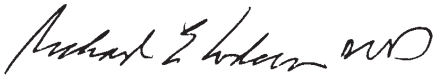
D. With regard to our use and/or disclosure of Protected Health Information, we agree to do the following:

- (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