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Purpose and Audience:

This memo provides clarification and guidance concerning the compliance with both HIPAA and PASRR regulations. PASRR Evaluators and nursing facilities will find this helpful in support of sharing protected health information and other confidential information with the Department for PASRR purposes.

Information:

This Memo was originally written in 2003 and updated occasionally, most recently in September 2015. PASRR Evaluators have asked that the memo issue date be refreshed to ensure it is still in force. There have not been any significant changes to HIPAA regulations not PASRR regulations that would affect compliance. The memo substance is unchanged from 2015.

OBRA Evaluators and persons involved in PASRR determinations may find this useful when they share patient PHI with the Department. The memo outlines the intersection between HIPAA and PASRR regulations and instructs the PASRR Evaluators that they are permitted to disclose PHI to the Department without authorization from the client in compliance with HIPAA.

Attachment(s):

HIPAA and PASRR Evaluation and Determinations

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