NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

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 are required by law to maintain the privacy of protected health information, to provide individuals with notice of our legal duties and privacy practices with respect to protected health information, and to notify affected individuals following a breach of unsecured protected health information. We must follow the privacy practices that are described in this Notice while it is in effect. This Notice takes effect on 4/9/2019 and will remain in effect until we replace it.

We reserve the right to change our privacy practices and the terms of this Notice at any time, provided such changes are permitted by applicable law, and to make new Notice provisions effective for all protected health information that we maintain. When we make a significant change in our privacy practices, we will change this Notice and post the new Notice clearly and prominently on our website, and we will provide copies of the new Notice upon request.

You may request a copy of our Notice at any time. For more information about our privacy practices, or for additional copies of this Notice, please contact us using the information listed in this Notice.

Dental Practice Covered by this Notice

This Notice describes the privacy practice of LI Sound Dental Solutions ("Dental Practice"). "We "and "our" mean the Dental Practice. "You "and "your" means our patient.

How to Contact Us/Our Privacy Official

If you have any questions or would like further information about this Notice , you can contact LI Sound Dental Solution's Privacy official at:

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How we may use and disclose health information about you

We may use and disclose your health information for different purposes, including treatment, payment, and health care operations. For each of these categories, we have provided a description and an example. Some information, such as HIV-related information, genetic information, alcohol and/or substance abuse records, mental health records may be entitled to special protections as they pertain to applicable cases involving these types of records.

Common Uses and Disclosures

- Treatment. We may use your health information to provide you with dental treatment or services. We may disclose health information about you to dental specialists, physicians, or other health care professionals involved in your care.
- Payment. We may use and disclose your health information to obtain reimbursement for the treatment and services you receive from us or another entity involved with your care. Payment activities include billing, collections, claims management, and determinations of eligibility and coverage to obtainpayment from you, an insurance company, or another third party. For example, we may sent claims to your dental health plan containing certain health information.
- Health Care Operations. We may use and disclose health information about you in connection with health care operations necessary to run our practice, including review of our treatment and services, training, evaluating the performance of our staff and health care professionals, quality assurance, financial or billing audits, legal matters, and business planning and development.
- **Appointment Reminders.** We may use or disclose your information when contacting you to remind you of a dental appointment. We may contact you by using a postcard, letter, phone call, voice message, text or email. You may opt out of any method of contact that you may find undesirable by contacting our privacy official.
- Individuals Involved in Your Care or Payment for Your Care. We may use and disclose your health information to a family member, friend, or other individual identified by your when they are involved in your care or payment for your care. Additionally, we may disclose information about you to a patient representative. If a person has the authority by law to make health care decisions for your, we will treat that patient representative the same way we would treat you with respect to your health information.
- **Disaster Relief.** We may use or disclose your health information to assist in disaster relief efforts.
- Disclosures Required by Law. We may use or disclose patient health information to the extent we are required by law to do so.
- Public Health Activities. We may disclose patient health information for public health activities and purposes, which include: preventing or controlling disease, injury or disability; reporting child abuse or neglect; reporting adverse reactions to medications or foods; reporting product defects; enabling product recalls; notifying a person who may have been exposed to a disease or may be at risk for contracting or spreading a disease or condition; notifying the appropriate government authority if we believe a patient has been the victim of abuse, neglect, or domestic violence.
- Health Oversight Activities. We may disclose patient health information to a health oversight agency for activities authorized by law. These oversight activities include audits, investigations, inspections, and credentialing, as necessary for licensure and for the government to monitor the health care system, government programs, and compliance with civil rights law.

- 10. Disclosure to Business Associates. We may disclose you protected health information to our third-party service providers (called, "business associates") that perform functions on our behalf or provide us with services if the information is necessary for such functions or services. For example, we may use a business associate to assist us in maintaining our practice management software. All of our business associates are obligated, under contract with us, to protect the privacy of your information and are not allowed to use or disclose any information other than as specified in our contract.
- **11. Specialized Government Functions.** We may disclose your health information to the military (domestic or foreign) about its members or veterans, for national security and protective services for the President or other heads of state, to the government for security clearance reviews, and to a jail or prison about its inmates.
- **12. Secretary of HHS.** We will disclose your health information to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services when required to investigate or determine compliance with HIPAA.
- **13. Workers' Compensation.** We may disclose your health information to the extent necessary to comply with workers' compensation laws or similar programs that provide benefits for work-related injuries or illness.
- **14. Law Enforcement Purposes.** We may disclose your health information for law enforcement purposes as permitted by HIPAA, as required by law, or in response to a subpoena or court order.
- **15.** Lawsuits and Legal Actions. We may disclose patient health information in response to (i) a court or administrative order or (ii) a subpoena, discovery request, or other lawful process that is not ordered by a court if efforts have been made to notify the patient or to obtain an order protecting the information requested.
- **16. Research Purposes.** We may use or disclose your information for research purposes pursuant to patient authorization waiver approval by an Institutional Review Board or Privacy Board.
- **17. Coroners, Medical Examiners and Funeral Directors.** We may disclose your health information to a coroner, medical examiner or funeral director to allow them to carry out their duties.
- **18. Fundraising.** We may contact you to provide you with information about our sponsored activities, including fundraising programs, as permitted by applicable law. If you do not wish to receive such information from us, you may opt out of receiving the communications.

Your Written Authorization for Any Other Use or Disclosure of Your Health Information

Uses and disclosures of your protected health information that involve the release of psychotherapy notes (if any), marketing, sale of your protected health information, or other uses or disclosures not described in this notice will be made only with your written authorization, unless otherwise permitted or required by law. You may revoke this authorization at any time, in writing, except to the extent that this office has taken an action in reliance on the use of disclosure indicated in the authorization. If a use or disclosure of protected health information described above in this notice is prohibited or materially limited by other laws that apply to use, we intend to meet the requirements of the more stringent law.

Your Rights with Respect to Your Health Information

You have the following rights with respect to certain health information that we have about you (information in a Designated Record Set as defined by HIPAA). To exercise any of these rights, you must submit a written request to our Privacy Official listed on the first page of this Notice.

1. Right to Access and Review

You may request to access and review a copy of your health information. We may deny your request under certain circumstances. You will receive written notice of a denial and can appeal it. We will provide a copy of your health information in a format you request if it is readily producible. If not readily producible, we will provide it in a hard copy format or other format that is mutually agreeable. If your health information is included in an Electronic Health Record, you have the right to obtain a copy of it in an electronic format. We may charge a reasonable fee to cover our cost to provide you with copies of your health information

2. Right to Amend

If you believe that your health information is incorrect or incomplete, you may request that we amend it. We may deny your request under certain circumstances. You will receive written notice of agreement or denial and if denied, can file a statement of disagreement that will be included with your health information that you believe is incorrect or incomplete.

3. Right to Restrict Use and Disclosure

You may request that we restrict uses of your health information to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations or to your family member or friend involved in your care or the payment for your care. We may not (and are not required to)agree to your requested restrictions, with one exception: If you pay out of your pocket in full for a service you receive from us and you request that we not submit the claim for this service to your health insurer or health plan for reimbursement, we must honor that request.

4. Right to Confidential Communications, Alternative Means and Locations

You may request to receive communications of health information by alternative means or at an alternative location. We will accommodate a request if it is reasonable and you indicate that communication by regular means could endanger you. When you submit a written request to the Privacy Official listed on the first page of this Notice, you need to provide an alternative method of contact or alternative address and indicate how payment for services will be handled.

5. Right to an Accounting of Disclosures

You have a right to receive an accounting of disclosures of your health information for the six (6) years prior to the date that the accounting is requested except for disclosures to carry out treatment, payment, health care operations (and certain other exceptions as provided by HIPAA). The first accounting we provide in any 12-month period will be without charge to you. We may charge a reasonable fee to cover the cost for each subsequent request for an accounting within the same 12-month period. We will notify you in advance of this fee and you may choose to modify or withdraw your request at that time.

6. Right to a Paper Copy of this Notice

You have the right to a paper copy of this Notice. You may ask us to give you a paper copy of the Notice at any time (even if you have agreed to receive the Notice electronically). To obtain a paper copy, ask the Privacy Official.

7. Right to Receive Notification of a Security Breach

We are required by law to notify you if the privacy or security of your health information has been breached. The notification will occur by first class mail within sixty (60) days of the event. A breach occurs when there has been an unauthorized use or disclosure under HIPAA that compromises the privacy or security of your health information.

The breach notification will contain the following information: (1) a brief description of what happened, including the date of the breach and the date of the discovery of the breach; (2) the steps you should take to protect yourself from potential harm resulting from the breach; and (3) a brief description of what we are doing to investigate the breach, mitigate losses, and to protect against further breaches.

Questions and Complaints

If you want more information about our privacy practices or have questions or concerns, please contact us.

If you have any concerns about your privacy rights or how your health information has been used or disclosed, you may file a complaint with us by contacting our Privacy Official listed on the first page of this Notice. You may also file a written complaint with the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights. We will not retaliate against you in any way if you choose to file a complaint.