

Houston Methodist Care Everywhere Patient Non-Participation (Opt-Out) Request Form

What is Houston Methodist Care Everywhere?

Houston Methodist Care Everywhere is a fast and secure way of electronically sharing your health information among participating doctors' offices and other health care providers. The purpose is so that each of your participating caregivers can have the benefit of the most recent information available from your other authorized and participating caregivers, thereby helping them to provide safer and more coordinated care.

Non-Participation in Houston Methodist Care Everywhere

Patients who do not want their medical information to be accessible to authorized health care providers through Houston Methodist Care Everywhere may choose to opt-out. If you decide to opt-out, health care providers will not be able to access your health information through Houston Methodist Care Everywhere and certain health information may be unavailable to personnel during your care through Houston Methodist Care Everywhere. Likewise, you should recognize that when you see a health care provider for treatment that provider may still request and receive your medical information from other providers using other methods permitted by law, such as fax, mail, or other electronic communication.

If you do not want to participate in Houston Methodist Care Everywhere, please print and sign this Opt-Out Request Form. Once complete, fax to Houston Methodist Medical Records Department (fax: 713.441.0095).

How Does Houston Methodist Care Everywhere Help You and Your Doctor?

- **Houston Methodist Care Everywhere Improves Your Care**
Houston Methodist Care Everywhere allows authorized doctors to have immediate access to a variety of medical information -- information that can help doctors make better decisions about your care. Accessing records through Houston Methodist Care Everywhere may also prevent your doctor from having you repeat tests, saving you time, money and worry.
- **Houston Methodist Care Everywhere Protects Privacy**
Houston Methodist Care Everywhere protects your privacy better than paper records by keeping track of who has accessed your information.
- **Houston Methodist Care Everywhere Is Secure**
Houston Methodist Care Everywhere is a fast and secure way for your doctor to locate your most up-to-date medical information. Only authorized health care providers with a valid reason will be allowed to access your medical information.

Please sign that you have read and understand each of the following statements:

- I understand that not participating in Houston Methodist Care Everywhere means my medical information will not be accessible to health care providers through a query of Care Everywhere.
- I hereby authorize Houston Methodist to block query access to my medical information in Houston Methodist Care Everywhere.
- I understand that I may choose to participate in Houston Methodist Care Everywhere again at any time by requesting reinstatement from a Houston Methodist registration representative.

PATIENT NAME (PRINTED): _____

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY): ____/____/____

DATE: _____ **PATIENT SIGNATURE:** _____