

Palmetto Breathing Solutions

Privacy Policy

All information about a patient's services will be kept confidential. Palmetto Breathing Solutions approaches to privacy and confidentiality are as follows:

- Employees explain confidentiality of patient information at setup.
- Employees only discuss patient information and services with appropriate staff within Palmetto Breathing Solutions and with designated contractors.
- Access to patient records is limited to company employees and affiliated contractors.
- Employees are trained in confidentiality of patient records.
- Palmetto Breathing Solutions ensures the security of records and stores them in a manner that protects against loss or destruction.
- Protected health information is not shown on company records. If needed, HIPAA compliant identification may be used.
- Patient information is not visible in areas accessible to the public.
- Non-employees sign a privacy statement before they are given access to patient records.
- Original patient records are not to be removed without permission.
- The HIPAA and Confidentiality of Patient Records statements include the notification to the patient that, when appropriate, patient records are available for licensing, regulatory, and accrediting agencies to review.
- A signed consent form is obtained from patients before information is released to either the patient or an outside organization.