



Health Information Exchange (HIE) Opt-Out Form

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

What is a Health Information Exchange (HIE)? HIEs, including, *EPIC Care Everywhere*, are secure ways of electronically sharing health information among participating physician’s offices, hospitals, and other health care providers. HIEs allow timely sharing of health information which can improve care. The HIEs that Baylor College of Medicine participate in help these providers share information in a timely manner and more effectively coordinate your care.

What Happens if I OPT OUT? By choosing to **opt out** of the HIEs Baylor College of Medicine participates in, including *EPIC Care Everywhere*, the following will occur (initial each item):

- _____ **Opting out** of the HIE may delay access to important medical information by your treating providers;
- _____ Your health information will not be shared among health care providers through the HIE. Instead, your providers will continue to share your health information through current methods, such as phone, fax or mail.
- _____ Your health information will **NOT** be shared with other HIEs in which Baylor College of Medicine may participate.
- _____ Any information shared before Baylor College of Medicine receives this signed opt-out form may remain with providers who accessed information before the opt-out went into effect.
- _____ Your **HIE Opt Out** decision will remain in effect unless you complete a written Opt In form.
- _____ Your request can take up to 7 business days to take effect.

I have read and understand the information provided in this document and choose to **Opt Out** of the HIE platforms that Baylor College of Medicine uses, including *Care Everywhere*.

Signature

Date

Name of Legal Representative*

Relationship to Patient

***Attach Documents demonstrating legal authority to act on behalf of the patient**

Please Return To:
Baylor College of Medicine
Attn: ROI, Two Greenway Plaza, Suite 900
Houston, TX 77046
713-798-4436(Fax) or hieoption@bcm.edu

Thank you for Choosing Baylor College of Medicine