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This form is to be used by patients who do not wish to participate in Healtheconnect Alaska's statewide Health Information Exchange (HIE).

**OPTING- OUT** of the HIE means that <u>all your medical, substance use disorder and behavioral health will</u> <u>NOT be available to any of your treatment providers.</u> If you have previously opted in to share behavioral health data with a provider this HIE opt-out will remove that consent. All substance use disorder and behavioral health information will no longer be available.

A Health Information Exchange, or HIE, is a way of sharing your health information among participating doctors' offices, hospitals, care coordinators, labs, radiology centers, and other health care providers through secure, electronic means. The purpose is so that each of your participating healthcare providers can have the benefit of the most recent information available from your other participating providers when taking care of you. When you opt out of participation in the HIE, doctors and nurses will not be able to search for your health information through the HIE to use while treating you.

Please be advised that opting out does not preclude any participating organization that has received or accessed personal health information via the HIE prior to such opt-out, and incorporated such personal health information into its records, from retaining such information in its records. Additionally, in accordance with the law, Public health reporting, such as the reporting of infectious diseases to public health officials, will still occur through the HIE after you decide to opt out. Alaska Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, will continue to be available through the HIE to licensed providers.

This opt-out form only needs to be completed once to opt out of the HIE; it is not necessary to complete for each provider. If you do not live in Alaska, but still receive care in the region, you should complete this form to Opt-Out. If you wish to reverse your decision you may opt back in at any time by calling 1-907-770-2626 option 2. For more information about opting out or rejoining the HealtheConnect HIE, please email <a href="mailto:support@ak-ehealth.org">support@ak-ehealth.org</a> or call 1-907-770-2626 option 2.

## You have two options for sending this form to Healtheconnect:

- 1) Fill out this form and mail to 3201 C Street, Suite 302, Anchorage, AK 99503-3963
- 2) Call 1-907-770-2626 option 2 and ask to opt-out of sharing your data with the Healtheconnect Health Information Exchange.

If you wish to reverse your decision, you may opt back in at any time by calling the help desk at 1-907-770-2626 option 2.



## **Patient Opt-Out Form**

First Name*_		Primary Phone
Middle Name	2	Number*
Last Name*_		Secondary Phone Number (optional)
Email:		
Date Of Birth	*	
□Male	□Female	□Other/I Do Not Wish To Disclose
Address Line	1*	City*
Address Line	2:	ZIP Code*

□ **Opt-Out of All Sharing** – Opt out of all sharing of your information through health information exchange. Your data will NOT be available through our network in an emergency or for any of your healthcare providers.

 $\Box$  **Please check this box** – if you would like to be notified in the future if additional options become available for allowing your treatment providers access to your personal health information ONLY in the event of a life-threatening emergency.

If this form is submitted by someone other than the person named above, the person submitting the form hereby certifies that he/she is acting as (CHECK ONE):

□ Parent □ Legal Guardian

Contact Information for Individual Completing This Form If Other Than Patient:

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number:\_\_\_\_\_

City, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature