



Genetic Privacy Notice

Metropolitan Pediatrics is required by Oregon law to provide this notice to you regarding the use of your health information or biological samples for genetic research (OAR 333-025-0100-333-025-0165). State law protects the genetic privacy of individuals and gives you the right to decline to have your health information or biological samples used for research.

A biological sample may include a blood sample, urine sample, or other materials collected from your body. You can decide whether to allow your health information or biological samples to be available for genetic research. Your decision will not affect either the care you receive from your health care provider or your health insurance coverage.

Research is important because it gives us valuable information on how to improve health, such as ways to prevent or better treat heart disease, diabetes, and cancer. Under Oregon law, a special team reviews all genetic research before it begins. The team makes sure that the benefits of the research are greater than any risks to participants.

In anonymous research, personal information that could be used to identify you, such as your name, Social Security number, or medical record number cannot be linked to your health information or biological sample. In coded research, personal information that could be used to identify you is kept separate from your health information or biological sample, making it very difficult to link your personal information to your health information or biological sample. Your identity is protected in both types of research.

If you DO NOT want to have your health information and biological sample available for anonymous or coded genetic research, YOU MUST tell your health care provider by checking the box below, signing, and returning the form as directed by your clinic representative.

GENETIC PRIVACY OPT OUT

- I have read and understand the above Genetic Privacy Notice, and I DO NOT want to have my health information and biological samples available for anonymous or coded genetic research.

If you want to allow your health information and biological sample to be available for anonymous or coded genetic research, please sign and return this form without checking the opt out box. If you make this choice, your health information or biological sample may be used for anonymous or coded genetic research without further notice to you.

No matter what you decide now, you can always change your mind later by completing this form and returning it to your health care provider. Your new decision is effective on the date your health care provider receives the Genetic Privacy Opt Out and will apply only to health information or biological samples collected after your health care provider receives the form. If you have questions about Genetic Testing, please call the Oregon Genetics Program at 971-673-0271.

This form will be retained in your medical chart throughout your relationship with Metropolitan Pediatrics.

Patient Name (PRINT): _____ Patient DOB: ____/____/____

X _____
Signature of Patient, Parent, or Legally Responsible Person

_____ **X** _____
Print Name + Relationship to Patient

____/____/____ **X** _____
Date