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Notice of Privacy Practices

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CHILD MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

Uses and Disclosures

Treatment: Your protected health information may be used by staff members, volunteers, agents and national and advisory board members of the Virginia Brown Community Orthodontic Partnership d/b/a Smiles Change Lives and disclosed to other health care professionals, including but not limited to your assigned screening and treatment provider(s), for the purpose of evaluating your application and providing your treatment.

Program Operations: Patient information, including first name, case history and photographic images may be used as necessary to support assessment, public relations, fund development and other activities of Smiles Change Lives.
Law enforcement: Your protected health information may be disclosed to law enforcement agencies to support government audits and inspections, to facilitate law-enforcement investigations, and to comply with government mandated reporting.
Public health reporting: Your protected health information may be disclosed to public health agencies as required by law. For example, we are required to report certain communicable diseases to the state's public health department.
Other uses and disclosures require your authorization: Disclosure of your protected health information or its use for any purpose other than those listed above requires your specific written authorization. If you change your mind after authorizing a use or disclosure of your information, you may submit a written revocation of the authorization. However, your decision to revoke the authorization will not affect or undo any use or disclosure of information that occurred before you noticed us of your decision to revoke your authorization.
Individual Rights: You have certain rights under the federal privacy standards. These include: The right to get an electronic or paper copy of your record ▪ The right to request confidential communications ▪ The right to request restrictions on the use and disclosure of your protected health information ▪ The right to inspect and copy your protected health information ▪ The right to amend or submit corrections to your protected health information ▪ The right to receive an accounting of how and to whom your protected health information has been disclosed ▪ The right to receive a printed copy of this notice ▪ The right to file a complaint.
Smiles Change Lives Duties: We are required by law to maintain the privacy of your protected health information and to provide you with this notice of privacy practices. We also are required to abide by the privacy policies and practices that are outlined in this notice and to notify you when a breach of your unsecured protected health information has occurred.
Right to Revise Privacy Practices: As permitted by law, we reserve the right to amend or modify our privacy policies and practices. These changes in our policies and practices may be required by changes in federal and state laws and regulations. Upon request, we will provide you with the most recently revised notice. The revised policies and practices will be applied to all protected health information we maintain.
Request to Inspect Protected Health Information: You may generally inspect or copy the protected health information we maintain. As permitted by federal regulation, we require that requests to inspect or copy protected health information be submitted in writing. You may obtain a form to request access to your records by contacting SCL at the address below.
Complaints Contact Information: If you would like to submit a complaint or have questions regarding our privacy practices, you may contact us in writing at the following address: Smiles Change Lives, 2405 Grand Blvd, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64108, or you may also contact the Secretary of Health and Human Services. You will not be penalized or otherwise retaliated against for filing a complaint.

Effective Date: This notice is effective on or after 05/01/2005.

I, _____ have received a copy of Smiles Change Lives' Notice of Privacy Practices.
Custodial Parent or Legal Guardian **PRINTED NAME**

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Custodial Parent or Legal Guardian **SIGNATURE** **DATE** (mm/dd/yyyy)

Child Consent: (Child <u>MUST</u> sign if 18 years of age or older)

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Date (mm/dd/yyyy) Child/Applicant SIGNATURE *(Not Parent/Guardian)* PRINTED NAME