



Notice to Patients About Kid Care Pediatric Associates, PC's

“Break the Glass” Use of Healthix

Kids Care Pediatric Associates, PC participates in the health information exchange operated by Healthix. Healthix is a not-for-profit organization that shares information about people's health electronically and meets the privacy and security standards of HIPAA and New York State Law.

This Notice is to inform patients who have been discharged from an Emergency Room that their Protected Health Information may have been accessed through Healthix in a “Break the Glass” situation while they were being treated in an Emergency Room.

“Break the Glass” access to a patient's records in Healthix is allowed when an authorized staff member of either Kids Care Pediatric Associates, PC or any Emergency Room attests that:

(i) an emergency condition exists; (ii) the patient is in immediate need of medical attention; (iii) an attempt to secure consent to access Healthix would result in delay of treatment which would increase the risk to the patient's life or health; and (iv) in his or her reasonable judgment, the information that may be held by or accessible via Healthix may be material to emergency treatment.

If you wish to request an audit log as to whether such “Break the Glass” access occurred when you were a patient in an Emergency Room, please contact the Medical Records Dept of that Emergency Room Hospital.

If you have questions, you may contact: Stuart Feinstein, MD @ 516-775-0493