



## **Notice of Privacy Practices**

### **What is HIPAA?**

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) is a federal law that protects sensitive Patient Health Information (PHI) from being disclosed without the patient's consent or knowledge.

### **What is FERPA?**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records.

For more information about these laws, visit CDC's [Health Information & Privacy](#).

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The Interpreter Network by Spring Institute is committed to limiting the amount of necessary information we collect from our clients in order to provide quality and professional interpretation services. In some cases, The Interpreter Network is a Business Associate of a healthcare organization or Covered Entity and is subject to the Privacy Rule under a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement. This agreement is a written document between us and our client that specifies our responsibilities as it relates to the use and disclosure of PHI.

For more information about Business Associate agreements, [click here](#).

Within and outside of the healthcare encounter, interpreters in our network are required to follow the:

- [Code of Ethics for Interpreters in Health Care](#), and
- [National Standards of Practice for Interpreters in Healthcare](#)

**For more information, visit the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services [Health Information Privacy](#).**