



Notice to Patients About St. John's Episcopal Hospital's Participation in Health Information Exchange Operated by Healthix

St. John's Episcopal Hospital 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 our patients that as part of participation in Healthix St. John's Episcopal Hospital electronically sends/uploads our patients' Protected Health Information to Healthix.

Additionally, certain staff at St. John's Episcopal Hospital are authorized to access patient information through Healthix subject to applicable consent rules. Consent to access Healthix is normally granted on an organization-by-organization basis. However, patients have the option of denying access to all organizations in Healthix. If you are interested in denying consent for *all* Healthix organizations to access your Protected Health Information, you may do so by visiting Healthix's website at www.healthix.org or calling Healthix at 877-695-4749.

Information in Healthix about patients comes from places that have provided medical care or through health insurance (claims) information. These data sources may include hospitals, physicians, pharmacies, clinical laboratories, health insurers, the Medicaid program and other organizations that exchange health information electronically. An updated list of these data sources is available from Healthix. Patients can obtain an updated list at any time by visiting www.healthix.org or by calling 1-877-695-4749.

If you have questions, you may contact Healthix Compliance Department by telephone at 1-877-695-4749 or by email at Compliance@healthix.org.