Protecting Your Information

As always, the privacy of your medical information is strictly protected. Only medical providers and personnel involved in your care will access your medical record. We have strict security measures in place to protect your information, including a system that monitors who has accessed your medical record.

For More Information

If you would like more information about your electronic medical record, please talk to your physician or caregiver.

Northern Minnesota Network

Partners serving health care needs of rural communities

Northern Minnesota Network (NMN) is a nonprofit health information technology organization.

The mission of NMN is to support members through improved information technology systems to provide comprehensive, primary medical and dental services.

NMN is currently working with three members that provide care through 19 clinical sites in rural and medically underserved areas of Minnesota and eastern North Dakota.

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Electronic Medical Records

What you need to know!

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What is an Electronic Medical Record?

An electronic medical record is a computerized version of your paper medical record. It includes all information needed to care for you, such as your medical history (allergies, medications, test results and other pertinent information) as well as your contact and insurance information. One of the great benefits of this new system is that your electronic medical record can be easily accessed and shared by each of your caregivers at Sawtooth Mountain Clinic.

Your Record of Care

Have you ever struggled to recall all of your immunizations, medications and allergies? Tried to bring your caregiver up-to-speed on the medical care you've received from others? Have you waited for test results or medical records to travel from one caregiver to another?

Providing this information can present a challenge and a safety concern, particularly in an emergency situation. This is one of the reasons Sawtooth Mountain Clinic is implementing an electronic medical record—to improve the quality and safety of your medical care.

Advantages of an Electronic Medical Record

SMC's electronic medical record system will help give you greater peace of mind that your caregivers have all the information they need to provide you and your family with safe, quality care. Some of the system's benefits include:

Timely Access to Your Medical Information

Caregivers can see your complete medical history with a few clicks of the computer mouse, giving them immediate, easy access to your information. With a paper charting system, a lot of time is spent searching through a paper chart to find what is needed.

Immediate Safety Checks

As a safety enhancement, the new system automatically cross-checks any new prescriptions your caregiver is considering to ensure there are no negative interactions with your allergies and current medications. Your caregiver will be alerted immediately if there is a potential drug or allergy interaction and can order a different medication without delay.

Provide Information Once

Initially, you will have to provide your medical history (including allergies and prior health conditions), insurance and contact information. At future visits, you will save time by simply verifying your information is up-to-date.

Quicker Access to Test Results

Your caregiver is immediately notified electronically when test results have been added to your medical record. There is no waiting for test results to travel from the lab. Having one electronic medical record that is shared among caregivers and locations, such as Grand Portage, Birch Grove, and Sawtooth Mountain Clinic makes it easier to review a history of test results.