



STATE OF NEVADA
Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Health Care Financing and Policy

HIPAA RELEASE AUTHORITY

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE USE AND DISCLOSURE OF
PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION**

Recipient's Name: _____

Medicaid ID #: _____ **HIPP Effective Date:** _____

[This Release Authority Applies to Any Information Governed by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA")]

1. I hereby authorize my employer's health insurance carrier or my employer's benefits representative to release or disclose my Protected Health Information (PHI) as described below. I understand that the information may be re-disclosed and no longer protected by federal privacy regulations.
2. Information obtained will be used for the following purpose(s): Prequalification for enrollment in the Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) program, and re-evaluation for continued enrollment. HIPP is administered by Change Healthcare on behalf of the State of Nevada, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP). Prequalification requires contact with your insurance carrier or your employer's benefits representative to verify insurance information such as policy number, coverage, premiums and co-payments.
3. Persons or entities authorized to receive and use the information include DHCFP and its Fiscal Agent, HPES and Change Healthcare.
4. No person and/or entity authorized to use/disclose the information will receive compensation for doing so.
5. I understand that this authorization is voluntary and that I may refuse to sign this authorization. My refusal to sign will not affect my payment for or coverage of services, or ability to obtain treatment; however, it may or may not affect my eligibility for future services as specified under number (6) of this form.
6. The purpose of this authorization is for DHCFP to determine HIPP eligibility before enrollment; the requested use or disclosure is not for psychotherapy notes. If I refuse to sign this authorization, DHCFP reserves the right to deny enrollment or eligibility for benefits.
7. I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time by notifying DHCFP in writing, except to the extent that:
 - a) Action has already been taken as a result of this authorization; or
 - b) If this authorization is obtained as a condition of obtaining insurance coverage, other law provides the insurer with the right to contest a claim under the policy or the policy itself.
8. I understand that I may inspect or copy the information used or disclosed.
9. I understand that I have a right to request and receive a Notice of Privacy Practices from DHCFP.

Signature of Recipient or Personal Representative

Date

Printed Name of Recipient or Personal Representative

Relationship to Recipient or Personal Representative

The HIPP program is administered by Change Healthcare, under contract with the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy.