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## Dear Member -

Last month, we announced changes within our CarolinaCARE platform relating to access to prescription records for minor dependents aged 12 - 17. After considering feedback from members and consulting with our legal and compliance teams, we are pleased to announce we have restored the system to its prior state and implemented a proxy access procedure which allows us to remain in compliance with state law.

Effective immediately, the insured teammate and their covered spouse may access prescription records and information and submit refills for all covered minor children, except for specific classifications of prescriptions specifically defined by North Carolina state law for adolescent patients. Generally speaking, those prescriptions are for the treatment of certain types of reproductive health, communicable diseases (including sexually transmitted diseases, HIV and AIDS), substance abuse and behavioral health-related conditions. Your pediatrician, family physician or pharmacist can help you determine if specific drugs prescribed for adolescents covered under your health plan are among those covered by the privacy shield law.

By signing the Consent for Access acknowledgement form (pages 2 - 3 of this letter), your adolescent may waive their statutory right to privacy when receiving these types of medications, allowing full access by permitted household users to the CarolinaCARE portal, including the ability to order refills online.

If your adolescent child elects not to sign the consent form, any protected prescriptions, as defined by the law, will not be displayed. In this instance, online refills will not be available and must be managed through the automated phone system by dialing 866-697-6800. Refills using this option will require the patient's name, name of the medication and the prescription number.

As a reminder, electronic access to adolescent medical records is also protected under state law. If you haven't previously done so, a separate consent must be signed and on file for parental access to those records via the MyAtriumHealth.com portal.

We appreciate your service to our mission of improving health, elevating hope and advancing healing for all and thank you for choosing us for your prescription needs.

Thank you,

CarolinaCARE



Patient's date of birth

## Consent for Full Access to CarolinaCARE Records for Adolescent Patients Ages 12-17 Years

## PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS OF PATIENT AGES 12-17 YEARS

Under North Carolina law, we are required to keep confidential certain types of health information and services provided to minors and can only disclose this information with the minor patient's permission. If you are the insurance policyholder enrolled with CarolinaCARE, are a parent/legal guardian of a minor child who is between 12 – 17 years of age (Adolescent Patient) and you wish to have unrestricted online access to their full medication record, you and the Adolescent Patient must complete and sign this request form.

Parent/guardian unrestricted access via CarolinaCARE can be revoked at any time by the Adolescent Patient.

By completing this form, you attest that you are the insurance policyholder and a parent or legal guardian with the right to access the Adolescent Patient's protected health information.

Signature of Parent/Guardian
Date
PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION
Name (First, Middle, Last)
Address
City, State, ZIP Code
Phone number
Date of birth
E-mail
ADOLESCENT PATIENT'S INFORMATION
Name of patient (First, Middle, Last)
Patient's address
City, State, ZIP Code



## **ADOLOSCENT PATIENT MUST SIGN AND INITIAL BELOW**

, agree to allow my parents/guardians, as well as any		
individual who has access to view the family's CarolinaCARE account via its online portal, to look at		
any and all of my medical information and related presc	riptions published within the CarolinaCARE	
platform and act on my behalf for the purposes of refilli	ng prescriptions. I understand that if my record	
has information about medications related to treatment	for pregnancy and/or prescriptions for birth	
control, certain communicable diseases – including HIV,	AIDS or sexually transmitted infections –	
alcohol or drug use/abuse, and/or behavioral health cor	nditions, my parents/guardians, as well as any	
individual who has access to view the family's CarolinaC	ARE account, will be able to see all of this	
information when logged into the CarolinaCARE portal.		
Patient initials		
I understand I can stop my parents/legal guardians and o	others who have access to view the	
CarolinaCARE account, collectively, from looking at this i	information at any time by revoking access by	
contacting 1-866-697-6800.		
Patient initials		
Signature of Adolescent Patient allowing access:		
Printed name of Adolescent Patient:		
	-	
Date of Birth:	-	
Date:		
To Parents/Legal Guardians: Upon receipt and approval of yo	ur request, you will be able to access your	
adolescent child's complete medication record from your acco	ount.	
Please return this completed form by fax or email:	Documents can also be mailed to:	
Email: OneOnOneRx@atriumhealth.org	Attn: CarolinaCARE	

Email: <u>OneOnOneRx@atriumhealth.org</u> Fax: 704-512-6801

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