THIS PRIVACY NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFO RMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

I. We are required by law to protect the privacy of your health information.

We call this protected health information "PHI," and it includes individually identifiable health information that relates to your past, present, or future physicor mental health condition, the provision of health care, or the past, present, or future payment for health care.

We are required by law to provide you with this Joint Notice about our privacy practices and legal duties that explains how, when, and why Jersey City Medical Center and its Medical Staff may use or disclose your protected health information.

At Jersey City Medical Center, wecognize and respect your right to confidentiality, and we maintaimumerous safeguards to protect your privacy. We are required by law to abide by the terms of this Notice currently in effect. We reserve the right to change this Notice at any time and to make the revised Notice effective for all PHI we maintain. You can always obtain a copy of our most current Notice by contacting the Privacy Officer.

patients' PHI to funeral directors stoey may carry out their duties. Law Suits and Disputes If you are involved in a law suit or dispute, we may disclose your PHI subject to certain limitations.

Required by Law Enforcement and Other Legal Actions. We may release health informatin about you if asked to do so in response to a court order, subpoena, warrant, sunnispor similar process. We also may disclose PHI to identify or locate a suspect, fugitive, material witness, or missing person. In attituth, we may disclose information about a crime victim or about a discarte believe may be the result of criminal conduct. We may disclosistformation aboutriminal conduct on our premises. In emerging situations, we may disclose PHI to report a crime, to help locate the victims of the crime, or to identify, describe, and/or locate the person who committed the crime.

Serious Threats. As permitted by law anethical conduct, we may use or disclose PHI if we, in good fait believe the use or disclosure is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to the health and safety of a persont be public, or is necessary for law enforcement to identify or apprehend an individual.

National Security and Intelligence Activities. We may disclose PHI to authorized officials for national security purposes such as protecting the President of the United Statesother persons, or conducting intelligence operations.

Inmates. If you are an inmate of a correctional institution or under the custody of law enforcement, we may release your PHI to the correctional facility or law enforcement officials. This release would be