

## GDPR PRIVACY NOTICE

Northwestern Memorial HealthCare ("**Northwestern Medicine**") is committed to respecting the privacy rights of persons in the European Economic Area ("**EEA**") pursuant to the European Union General Data Protection Regulation ("**GDPR**"). This GDPR privacy notice describes how the information that you or your physician and your other health care providers in your country provide to Northwestern Medicine will be used by Northwestern Medicine. If you travel to the United States to receive treatment, you will receive a separate notice that describes how health care information collected or generated in the United States will be treated by Northwestern Medicine. In this form, "**you**" means either yourself, if you are the patient in question, or may refer to your child or dependent, on whose behalf you are seeking that Northwestern Medicine offer medical treatment.

### 1. **WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO MY PERSONAL INFORMATION?**

You or your physician or other health care providers in your country will transfer certain information about you from your country to Northwestern Medicine in the United States. This form calls such information your "**Personal Information**" and it will include your name, demographic information and information about your past and present health conditions and medications. It may also include information about your genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, tuberculosis status, substance use disorders, mental health disorders, race, ethnicity, and religious beliefs, sexual orientation.

For EEA data protection purposes, Northwestern Medicine is the controller of the Personal Information that you, your physician and other health care providers in your country transfer from your country to the United States.

#### **Transfer of Your Personal Information to the United States**

Northwestern Medicine is located in the United States and therefore the transfer of your Personal Information to the United States is necessary for Northwestern Medicine to determine whether or not you might benefit from treatment at Northwestern Medicine and, if so, to provide treatment to you. Data protection and privacy laws in the United States may not offer the same level of protection as those in your own country. However, Northwestern Medicine will take steps to maintain the privacy of your Personal Information and will only use your Personal Information for the purposes described in this document.

#### **Your Rights**

You may have certain rights with respect to your Personal Information that is sent from you or your physician or other health care providers in your country to Northwestern Medicine in the United States. In particular, you may have the right to:

- Request access to any Personal Information that Northwestern Medicine holds about you;
- Ask to have inaccurate Personal Information amended;
- Request Personal Information held about you to be erased;
- Prevent or restrict processing of Personal Information which is no longer required; and
- Request transfer of appropriate Personal Information to a third party where this is technically feasible.

These rights may be limited in certain ways, including if your Personal Information is required for Northwestern Medicine to perform a contract, to protect its rights, interests or those of a third party, to defend against a legal claim, or to comply with applicable laws or regulations.

To exercise any of these rights, please contact Northwestern Medicine at the contact details set forth below. You are also entitled to file a complaint with your national or local data protection authority. You may find a list of such authorities at the following web page: [http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/article-29/structure/data-protection-authorities/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/article-29/structure/data-protection-authorities/index_en.htm).

## **2. FOR WHAT PURPOSES WILL MY PERSONAL INFORMATION BE USED AND WHO WILL HAVE ACCESS TO IT?**

Northwestern Medicine will process and share your Personal Information subject to its own legitimate interests and as necessary for the purpose of medical diagnosis, including as needed to diagnose your condition, facilitate treatment, communicate with you or your health care provider in your country, and seek payment for your treatment from you or a third-party making payment on your behalf (such as an insurance company or national health benefits program).

Northwestern Medicine may also process your Personal Information as specifically required by applicable legal obligations and for purposes that are compatible with those described above. Such compatible purposes may include scientific research.

Northwestern Medicine will retain your Personal Information for the period necessary to fulfill the purposes outlined in this form, unless a different retention period is required or permitted by law.

Your Personal Information will be used for Northwestern Medicine purposes by the following types of persons and entities at, or affiliated with, Northwestern Medicine:

- Employees or contractors of Northwestern Medicine, such as physicians, pharmacists, nurses and administrative staff who are involved in your treatment and provide administrative services to the hospital.
- Contractors, vendors and collaborating entities that provide services to Northwestern Medicine in furtherance of our regular operations.

## **3. WHOM DO I CONTACT WITH ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT MY PERSONAL DATA?**

If you have questions about the processing of your Personal Information or to exercise the rights discussed in section 1 of this form, contact Northwestern Memorial HealthCare Office of Corporate Compliance and Integrity at 312.926.4800 or [compliance@nm.org](mailto:compliance@nm.org).