## RML SPECIALTY HOSPITAL

Chicago and Hinsdale Locations

**Procedure to Request Medical Records** 

## **GENERAL GUIDELINES/PROCEDURE**

A valid, written authorization signed and dated by the patient should be directed to the Health
Information Management Department. If the patient is unable to sign, the individual designated as
having Power of Attorney for Health Care/Healthcare Surrogate shall sign to release the records.

<u>Routine</u> requests for copies of medical records will be processed only once the patient is discharged
and the record is complete.

## a) How to request records of a deceased patient?

- I. The agent authorized to act under a Power of Attorney for Healthcare shall sign. (copy required)
  - II. Absent a POAHC, the Executor or Administrator of the deceased person's estate shall sign. (Proof of Executorship required)

III. If neither of the above two documents exists, an *Authorized Relative* can sign, accompanied by a signed "Authorized Relative Certification Form" and a copy of the death certificate. The order of hierarchy is: Spouse, an adult son or daughter, either parent, an adult brother or sister.

2) Phone Number: 630-286-4117 (Hinsdale) or 773-826-6350 (Chicago)

Email: <u>healthinformation@rmlspecialtyhospital.org</u>

2a) Use the email above to request appropriate forms.

Address: Health Information Management Department

RML Specialty Hospital or RML Specialty Hospital 5601 S. Countyline Rd.
Hinsdale, IL 60521 S435 W. Van Buren Chicago, IL 60624

Fax Number: 630-286-4042 Fax Number: 773-826-6352

- 3) There is a fee to copy records pursuant to OCR Guidance (Office of Civil Rights) \$6.50 flat rate, excluding any shipping costs.
- 4) Verisma provides Release of Information services for RML Specialty Hospital Verisma Customer Service: 866-442-9026

\*Allow 7-10 business days to process.

- \*\*If you are requesting your records sent via email, your email address must be written legibly on the Patient Request form. RML/Verisma does not assume responsibility for the security of records sent via email.
- 5) This is NO CHARGE to provide records to another health care provider, and the records <u>are sent</u> <u>directly to that provider</u>. An abstract is sent which includes: History & Physical, Discharge Summary, Consultation reports, Operative reports, Pathology reports, Radiology reports, Laboratory reports and any other diagnostic studies.

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