

## **CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT**

Name:	
(Please Print)	
Affiliation with SHS:	
(Example: employee, physician, researche	r, student, vendor, volunteer)

- 1. During my association with Sinai Health System (SHS), I will have access to: (a) SHS corporate confidential or proprietary information relating to the organization's functions, employees and persons affiliated with SHS; and/or (b) personal health information relating to SHS patients, as such term is defined under the *Personal Health Information Protection Act*, 2004 (PHI).
- 2. At all times, I shall respect the privacy and dignity of patients, employees and all persons affiliated with SHS and I shall only collect, use and disclose personal information (including personal health information) as required by the duties of my position and in accordance with the laws of Ontario and Canada.
- 3. I shall not inappropriately access, use, copy, modify, remove, or disclose SHS corporate confidential or PHI.
- 4. This Agreement does not apply to information I previously and independently developed alone or with others prior to my association with SHS that I can substantiate by written records; nor to information in the public domain.
- 5. I shall maintain the secrecy of all User ID(s) and Password(s) that enable me to access SHS and/or Lunenfeld Tanenbaum Research Institute networks and applications and acknowledge that I am responsible for all access and/or actions carried out under them.
- 6. I acknowledge that SHS issues policies and procedures that relate to the protection of SHS confidential information and patient information and that compliance with these policies is a requirement of my association with SHS. These policies include, but are *not* limited to:
  - Privacy Policy;
  - Acceptable Use of Information and Information Technology;
  - Privacy Incident Protocol;
  - Other department specific policies and procedures

I understand that it is my responsibility to familiarize myself with these policies and keep informed of any changes. If I have questions about privacy related policies, including their applicability to me or impact on the performance of my duties, I may contact my supervisor or the Privacy Office.

- 7. I shall immediately report all privacy breaches involving SHS confidential information and/or patient information to my immediate supervisor and to the SHS Privacy Office.
- 8. I understand that SHS will conduct periodic audits to ensure compliance with this Agreement and its privacy policies.
- 9. I also understand that should any of these conditions be breached, I may be subject to corrective action, up to and including termination of employment, loss of privileges, termination of contract, or similar action based on my association with SHS. I understand that a privacy breach is an offence under PHIPA and I may be subject to prosecution by provincial authorities if I am found guilty of this offence.
- 10. I understand and agree to abide by all of the conditions outlined above. Regardless of changes that may occur to my title, duties, status and/or other terms of my employment or association with SHS, I understand that the terms of this Agreement will continue to apply (including when I no longer have an association with SHS, no matter what the reasons).

Date:	Signature:	Department:	
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