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**SUBJECT:** Permitted Uses and Disclosures to Carry Out Treatment, Payment and Health Care Operations

**HIPAA CITES:** 45 CFR §164.506

**DEPARTMENT(S):** All Departments of Kewaunee County

**POLICY NUMBER:** 102

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**I. POLICY:**

Kewaunee County uses and discloses Protected Health Information for Treatment, Payment and Health Care Operations as provided in this policy, provided that such use or disclosure is consistent with the Privacy Rule.

**II. PROCEDURES:**

- A. Kewaunee County may use or disclose Protected Health Information in connection with Treatment, Payment or Health Care Operations.
- B. Kewaunee County may disclose Protected Health Information for Treatment activities of a Health Care Provider.
- C. Kewaunee County may disclose Protected Health Information to another Covered Entity or a Health Care Provider for the Payment activities of the entity that receives the Protected Health Information.
- D. Kewaunee County may disclose Protected Health Information to another Covered Entity for Health Care Operations of the entity that receives the Protected Health Information, if all of the following conditions are met:
  - 1. Both Kewaunee County and the receiving entity either has or had a relationship with the patient who is the subject of the Protected Health Information being requested;
  - 2. The Protected Health Information pertains to such relationship; and
  - 3. The disclosure is either:
    - a. For the purpose of health care fraud and abuse detection or compliance; or

- b. For any of the following purposes:
  - i. Conducting quality assessment and improvement activities, including outcomes evaluation and development of clinical guidelines, provided that the obtaining of generalizable knowledge is not the primary purpose of any studies resulting from such activities; population-based activities relating to improving health or reducing health care costs, protocol development, case management and care coordination, contacting of Health Care Providers and patients with information about Treatment alternatives; and related functions that do not include Treatment;
  - ii. Reviewing the competence or qualifications of healthcare professionals, evaluating practitioner and provider performance, health plan performance, conducting training programs in which students, trainees, or practitioners in areas of health care learn under supervision to practice or improve their skills as Health Care Providers, training of non-health care professionals, accreditation, certification, licensing, or credentialing activities.