

YOUR RIGHTS REGARDING THE ELECTRONIC SHARING OF HEALTH INFORMATION

ALL PVP Patients

MA and CT Patients

HIE Level Opt-Out

Pioneer Valley Pediatrics participates in the electronic sharing of health information with other health care providers, health plans and other health care-related entities, and others, through CTHealthlink, a health information exchange (HIE). Your electronic health records, including certain sensitive health information, e.g., mental health information, HIV/AIDS, genetic information, some alcohol and drug abuse treatment information, communicable diseases, and developmental and intellectual disability treatment, may be accessible through the HIE to properly authorized users for purposes of treatment, payment, and health care operations, as well as other purposes permitted or required by law unless **you submit an opt-out request online** through CTHealthlink.

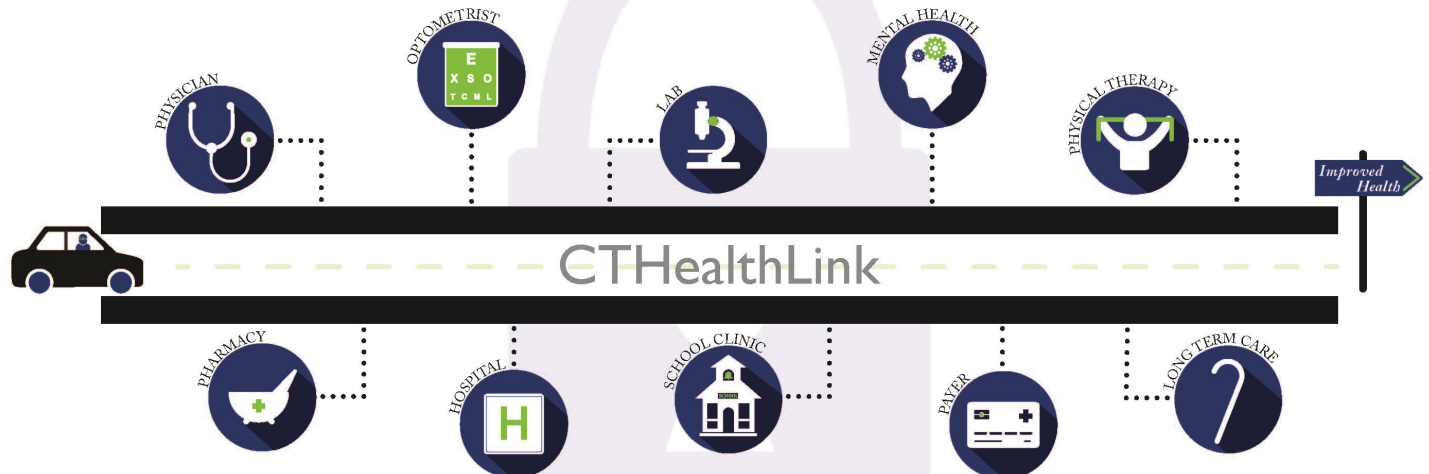
If you do **NOT** want your electronic health records shared and used through the HIE, you can opt-out of the HIE by submitting your opt-out request online at <https://www.cthealthlink.com/Patient-Resources/Opt-Out.aspx>.

Even if you opt-out of having your health information used and disclosed through the HIE, some of your information may still be available through the HIE to properly authorized individuals as necessary in an emergency, prescription drug monitoring program or to report specific information to a government agency as required by law (for example, reporting of certain communicable diseases or suspected incidents of abuse).

Each opt-out request is subject to verification procedures. Please allow 2-5 business days for your request to be processed. Your failure to provide all information required for verification may result in additional delay.

IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

Taking the CTHealthLink Route



The information that is shared through the secure network may include health information related to treatment from all participating healthcare providers who are connected to the network, providing the most complete patient record available. This may include information about your diagnoses, procedures, allergies, test results such as x-rays or laboratory, and prescribed medications. Such information may

include sensitive health information ("Sensitive Information", i.e., mental health information, HIV/AIDS, genetic information and test results, alcohol and drug abuse treatment information other than alcohol and drug abuse treatment information subject to 42 C.F.R. Part 2, and, developmental disability treatment.) A list of healthcare providers who participate can be found at www.CTHealthLink.com.