OMNIBUS Rule
HIPAA NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES
for the Facility of:

Legal Entity Practice Name: Cornerstone Dentistry

Mailing Address: 701 Wilkesboro Blvd Lenoir NC 28645

Effective date: February 16, 2026

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

For purposes of this Notice, "we," "our," and "us" refer to the health care facility named above. "You" and "your" refer to our patients or their authorized legal representatives.

We are committed to protecting the privacy of your Protected Health Information (PHI). We follow the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), its implementing regulations, and all amendments, including the 2026 revisions concerning Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment information governed by 42 CFR Part 2.

OUR RESPONSIBILITIES

We are required to:

- Maintain the privacy of your PHI, including SUD information that may carry extra confidentiality protections under 42 CFR Part 2
- Provide you with this Notice of our legal duties and privacy practices
- Notify you following a breach of unsecured PHI
- Follow the terms of this Notice

HOW WE MAY USE AND DISCLOSE YOUR PHI WITHOUT YOUR WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION:

- **Treatment:** We may use and share your PHI with other dentists, physicians, or health care professionals who are treating you. Example: We send x-rays to a specialist for a consultation
- **Payment:** We may use and share your PHI to bill and get payment from health plans or other entities. Example: We submit information to your dental plan to obtain payment
- **Health care operations:** We may use and share your PHI to run our practice, improve your care, and contact you when necessary. Example: Quality assessment, auditing, or customer service
- **Public health and safety:** We may share PHI for public health reporting, to report abuse or neglect, to avert a serious threat to health or safety, or for product recalls, as permitted by law
- **Health oversight and law enforcement:** We may share PHI with health oversight agencies, for law enforcement purposes, or as required by a court or administrative order, subpoena, or similar process, as permitted by law
- **Research:** We may use or share PHI for research under specific conditions approved by an Institutional Review Board or privacy board, or with your authorization
- **Workers' compensation and other government functions:** We may share PHI for workers' compensation claims and for specialized government functions as permitted by law
- **Business associates:** We may share PHI with third parties who provide services for us (business associates) under contracts requiring them to protect your information