

# HARTSOUGH DERMATOLOGY

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## Waiver of Rights Individual Rights

### **Introduction**

One section of the Privacy Rule addresses the waiver of individual rights.<sup>1</sup> In general, a covered entity – including a physician and its business associates – may not require individuals to waive any of their individual rights as a condition of the provision of treatment, payment, enrollment in a health plan, or eligibility for benefits.

### **Policy**

The practice never requires an individual to waive any of his or her individual rights as a condition for the provision of treatment, except under very limited circumstances allowed under law and referenced elsewhere in these policies and procedures.

### **Procedure**

The practice allows every individual to access all of the rights described in the practice's policies and procedures manual and does not, in any way, require or encourage an individual to waive any of those rights as a condition for the provision of treatment, except as allowed by law and noted elsewhere in these policies and procedures.

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<sup>1</sup> § 164.530(b) – Administrative Requirements – Standard – Waiver of Rights.