HIPAA Privacy Policy

Under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), ACL is required by law to maintain the privacy of health information that identifies you, called protected health information (PHI), and to provide you with notice of our legal duties and privacy regarding PHI. Advanced Clinical Laboratory is committed to the protection of your PHI and will make reasonable efforts to ensure the confidentiality of your PHI, as required by statute and regulation. We take this commitment seriously and will work with you to comply with your right to receive certain information under HIPAA.

As permitted under HIPAA, the following categories explain the types of uses and disclosures of PHI that Advanced Clinical Laboratory may make. Some of the uses and disclosures described may be limited or restricted by state laws or other legal requirements, for example, the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA).

1. ACL will disclose your laboratory results to your physician and other health care professionals who need access to your laboratory results to treat you.
2. ACL will disclose your protected health information to such entities as insurance companies and health plans so that we may pay for our services.
3. ACL may use or disclose your laboratory results when we are performing in-house quality checks on our testing or developing normal reference ranges for tests that we perform.
4. ACL may disclose your protected health information to other companies or accrediting agencies who need your protected health information so they may provide specific services to us. By contract, these “business associates” must maintain the privacy and security of any protected health information we provide them or which they may create on our behalf.
5. ACL may use or disclose your protected health information for purposes that are authorized or required by federal or state law such as government oversight, auditing, or licensure; reporting communicable disease results to the public health department; or as required by court orders or subpoenas.
6. In addition to the above, Advanced Clinical Laboratory may disclose your protected health information for military or veterans activities, national security or intelligence purposes, and as necessary, to comply with requirements of workers’ compensation or similar programs that provide benefits for work-related injuries or illnesses.

Advanced Clinical Laboratory reserves the right to make changes to this website and to our privacy policies from time to time. Changes adopted will apply to any PHI we maintain about you. ACL is required to abide by the terms of our notice currently in effect. When changes are made, we will promptly update this website. This statement applies solely to information collected at ACL’s website. If problems arise from your use of this website, please feel free to contact Advanced Clinical Laboratory.