

South Carolina Health Information Exchange COMPLAINT

The South Carolina Health Information Exchange (SCHIEx) accepts complaints regarding adverse events, such as violations of privacy rights, and any aspect of its operations or policies from patients, authorized users, or participating organizations. All complaints must be submitted on this complaint form. To file a complaint, please complete Sections I, II and III below.

Please note: You do not have to complete all of the information requested here in order to file a complaint; however, without complete information about the nature of your complaint, it will be difficult for SCHIEx to fully investigate and resolve the complaint. Information submitted on this form will be treated confidentially.

I. CONTACT INFORMATION

Your First Name	Your Last Name	
Home Phone (including area code)	Work Phone (including area code)	
Street Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Email Address (if available)		

II. DESCRIPTION OF COMPLAINT

I am filing this complaint as a: (please check one box below)

Patient – this includes individuals who receive medical services from a
doctor or other health care provider
Authorized User – this includes individuals who access SCHIEx services as
a part of their job functions
Participating Organization – this includes organizations that have entered
into a contractual relationship with SCHIEx

Are you filing this complaint for someone	else? Yes	No				
If Yes, on whose behalf are you filing this complaint?						
First Name	Last Name					
If your complaint is regarding the actions of a specific person, agency, or organization (such as a health care provider or a health plan), please provide the following information:						
Name of Person/Agency/Organization						
Street Address						
City	State	Zip Code				
Phone Number (including area code)						
If your complaint is regarding a specific provide the date(s) when the event occurr		ch of privacy, please				
List Date(s) Type of Event(s)						
Describe your complaint. Please be as specific as possible. (Attach additional pages as needed.)						

III. SIGNATURE

Please sign and date this complaint. If you are submitting this form by email, please type your full name as your electronic signature.

I acknowledge that all of the above information is true and accurately reflects the nature of the complaint, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature		
Date		
Date		

IV. SUBMISSION AND NEXT STEPS

Submit this completed form by mail to:

South Carolina Health Information Exchange c/o South Carolina Health Information Partners, Inc. P.O. Box 7785 Columbia, SC 29202

Or you may submit this completed form by email to: Reporting@schiex.org.

SCHIEx will acknowledge receipt of your complaint, investigate it, and make every effort to resolve the complaint within a reasonable time frame. Most complaints are resolved within 30 days. Should you have any questions, please call SCHIEx at 803-335-4200.

You also have the right to submit a complaint about a violation of health information privacy rights to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights. If you would like to do so, please see the OCR website at:

http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/complaints/. You may download the OCR complaint form at:

http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/complaints/hipcomplaintform.pdf