

“Red Flags Rule”

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) issued a set of regulations, known as the “Red Flags Rule,” requiring that we develop and implement written identity theft prevention and detection policies and procedures to protect patients from identity theft.

In the case of physician practices, medical identity theft is of particular concern. Medical identity theft occurs when someone uses a person’s name and sometimes other parts of their identity, such as insurance information without that person’s knowledge or consent to obtain or make false claims for medical services or goods. Medical identity theft can also result in erroneous entries into existing medical records and can involve the creation of fictitious medical records in the victim’s name.

At San Tan Allergy and Asthma we strive to protect your medical information and prevent identity theft. Our policy is as follows.

- All new patients will need to show their insurance card plus a photo ID (Drivers license).
- We will need to see your insurance card at every visit.
- Once a year we will need to see your insurance card plus a photo ID (Drivers license).
- If you have a change of insurance we will need to see your new insurance card plus a photo ID (Drivers license).

Thank you for your help and understanding in this effort.

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