



March 14, 2024

To Our Valued Summit Patients:

We are excited to announce that on May 1, 2024, Summit Clinical Services is merging with SamaraCare, headquartered in Naperville. The new combined organization will operate under the name SamaraCare. Founded 53 years ago, SamaraCare is a nonprofit mental health organization serving six counties with eight offices throughout Chicagoland.

After much consideration, Summit and SamaraCare decided it is the right time for these two high-quality organizations to join forces. Although our organization is changing, our service to you remains the same.

- Summit therapists and psychiatrists will continue in their current roles. You may continue to contact and work with the same providers as you have in the past, at the same location.
- Our fee structure will remain virtually the same and similar to that of SamaraCare.
- The services you receive will continue to be offered by the combined organization.

In order to continue your care after May 1, we need to establish your chart in SamaraCare's electronic medical record system. To complete and sign the Release of Information (ROI) form electronically and provide Summit Clinical Services with permission to share information with SamaraCare, please click on the following link no later than April 1, 2024. Please note that all ROI forms are required to have the signature of an adult Witness; the Witness signature cannot be the same person as the Patient or the Guardian signature.

Link to Electronic Release of Information Form on the Home Page: <https://summitclinical.com/>

Once Summit receives this document, SamaraCare will send you a link to create a patient portal via the email address on file. The email will be sent from AdvancedMD.com, SamaraCare's electronic medical record system. Please complete all fields in the required documents that are sent to you. Paper copies of forms will also be available. ***All forms must be completed by April 15.***

Our aim is to make the merger of our organizations as smooth as possible for our patients. Please note, after May 1, 2024, the name "SamaraCare" will appear on your billing statement and any other correspondence you will receive. If you have any questions, please ask your provider or any of our administrative staff at 630-260-0606.

If you or a family member have not received mental health services within the last 12 months, and you do not complete the ROI, then we will assume that you are no longer requesting care, and we will end your treatment relationship with your provider(s) on May 1, 2024. You are welcome to follow up with us at SamaraCare if you wish to return to services after that date.

We remain committed to providing you with comprehensive mental health services in a caring environment.

Sincerely,

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