

Your Clinic Is Using AI. Here Is What That Means.

A plain-language handout for patients. Print it, post it, or hand it across the desk.

Para pacientes. Este documento está en inglés y en español. Todo lo que dice en un idioma dice lo mismo en el otro.

The short version: your clinician may use a tool that listens to your visit and helps write the note. It is your choice. Saying no changes nothing about your care.

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What is this?

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Your clinic may use an AI tool that listens to your visit and turns it into notes for your medical record. Your clinician still reads, corrects, and signs every note. The tool does not do that part.	Es posible que su clínica use una herramienta de inteligencia artificial que escucha su visita y la convierte en notas para su expediente médico. Su clínico todavía lee, corrige y firma cada nota. La herramienta no hace esa parte.

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What it does, and what it does not do

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It does: · Listen during your visit · Turn the conversation into text in your chart · Let your clinician look at you instead of the computer It does not: · Diagnose you · Decide anything about your care · Replace your clinician · Run unless you have said yes	Sí hace: · Escuchar durante su visita · Convertir la conversación en texto en su expediente · Permitir que su clínico la mire a usted en vez de la computadora No hace: · Diagnosticarla · Decidir nada sobre su atención · Reemplazar a su clínico · Funcionar sin que usted haya dicho que sí

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Where does the recording go?

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Into your medical record, the same place as the rest of your chart. Only your care team can see it, the same people who already see your records. The recording is deleted after _____ days.	A su expediente médico, el mismo lugar donde está el resto de su historial. Solo su equipo de salud puede verlo, las mismas personas que ya ven sus registros. La grabación se borra después de _____ días.

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Can I say no?

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Yes. It is your choice. Saying no will not change your care, your appointment, or how your clinician treats you. You can also change your mind in the middle of the visit. You do not have to explain why.	Sí. Usted decide. Decir que no no cambiará su atención, su cita, ni la manera en que su clínico la trata. También puede cambiar de opinión a la mitad de la visita. No tiene que explicar por qué.

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What if something private comes up?

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Tell your clinician. They can pause it or turn it off at any point, for any reason. You can say: "Can we turn that off for this part?"	Dígale a su clínico. Puede pausarla o apagarla en cualquier momento, por cualquier razón. Usted puede decir: "¿Podemos apagar eso para esta parte?"

Questions you can ask

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· “Is it recording right now?” · “Where does the recording go, and for how long?” · “Who can listen to it?” · “Can we turn it off for this part?” · “What happens if I say no?”	· “¿Está grabando ahora mismo?” · “¿A dónde va la grabación, y por cuánto tiempo?” · “¿Quién puede escucharla?” · “¿Podemos apagarla para esta parte?” · “¿Qué pasa si digo que no?”

Good clinicians expect these questions. Asking them is not being difficult. It is being careful, and it is your right.

Los buenos clínicos esperan estas preguntas. Hacerlas no es ser difícil. Es ser cuidadosa, y es su derecho.

For our clinic

Clinic staff: fill this in before printing.

The tool we use / La herramienta que usamos	Recordings are deleted after / Las grabaciones se borran después de
Questions? Ask / ¿Preguntas? Pregunte a	Date posted / Fecha

For clinics: this is an educational template, not legal advice. Fill in the blanks with your own tool's details before you print it, and confirm your retention window, your Business Associate Agreement, and your state's recording-consent law first. Some states require all-party consent before audio is captured. Filling in the blanks is not adaptation. Rewriting the text is. A posted notice supports the consent conversation and does not replace it. All views are the author's own and do not represent any employer or affiliated institution.

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