The University of Virginia Medical Center will maintain and retain patient medical records of minors for 28 years after their date of birth, and of adults for 10 years after their last encounter (last date of service). Patients are considered adults at 18 years of age. As an Agency of the Commonwealth, UVA Medical Center must maintain its records in compliance with the Virginia Public Records Act. Patient Medical Records are not subject to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, but are subject to subpoena. Patients’ medical records that have met the required retention as per General Schedule 120, Records Series #012503 “Patient Medical/Dental Records: Minors”; and Records Series #012504 “Patient Medical/Dental Records: Adults”, will be destroyed by Confidential Destruction (shredding) to protect patient confidentiality. No records can be destroyed that are under audit, investigation, litigation or review.