

COUNTY DSS
REQUEST AND AUTHORIZATION TO DISCLOSE HEALTH INFORMATION

I _____ hereby request the North Carolina Division of
(DSS Director or Designee)
Medical Assistance to disclose specific health information from the records of the person(s) listed below
for this purpose:

<i>Recipient's Name</i>	<i>SSN or Medicaid ID Number</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>Dates of Service</i>	<i>Thru</i>

Specific Information to be disclosed: _____

Send these records to: *(Name and address of DSS staff that information should be sent to)*

I understand this authorization will expire on this date, event or condition _____

DMA acknowledges that this information may not be protected from re-disclosure by the requester of the information; however, if this information is protected by the Federal Substance Abuse Confidentiality Regulations, the recipient may not re-disclose such information without further written authorization unless otherwise provided for by state or federal law.

This information is being requested in accordance to North Carolina General Statute 7B-302(e)

"In performing any duties related to the assessment of the report or the provision or arrangement for protective services, the director may consult with any public or private agencies or individuals, including the available State or local law enforcement officers who shall assist in the assessment and evaluation of the seriousness of any report of abuse, neglect, or dependency when requested by the director. The director or the director's representative may make a written demand for any information or reports, whether or not confidential, that may in the director's opinion be relevant to the assessment or provision of protective services. Upon the director's or the director's representative's request and unless protected by the attorney-client privilege, any public or private agency or individual shall provide access to and copies of this confidential information and these records to the extent permitted by federal law and regulations. If a custodian of criminal investigative information or records believes that release of the information will jeopardize the right of the State to prosecute a defendant or the right of a defendant to receive a fair trial or will undermine an on going or future investigation, it may seek an order from a court of competent jurisdiction to prevent disclosure of the information. In such an action, the custodian of the records shall have the burden of showing by preponderance of the evidence that disclosure of the information in question will jeopardize the right of the State to prosecute a defendant or the right of a defendant to receive a fair trial or will undermine an ongoing or future investigation. Actions brought pursuant to this paragraph shall be set down for immediate hearing, and subsequent proceedings in the actions shall be accorded priority by the trial and appellate courts."

Signature of Local DSS Director or his Designee

Date

County