

CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

I, authorize _____ to
(Mental Health/Substance Use Services/Local Management Entity/Managed Care Organization)

disclose to _____
(Name of County Department of Social/Human Services or designated Work First agency)

The following information:

(Applicant/Recipient needs to initial each category that applies.)

- _____ My name and other personal identifying information
- _____ Assessment
- _____ Dates of services
- _____ Recommendations for treatment
- _____ Progress and compliance
- _____ Progress and compliance with treatment
- _____ Attendance
- _____ Date of discharge and discharge status
- _____ Discharge plan
- _____ Employment and training related information

The purpose of these disclosures is to: Provide permission to the above-named MH/SAS/LME/MCO provider to disclose information as initialed to the above-named county department of social/human services either orally or in written format for the evaluation of Work First and Food and Nutrition Services Program eligibility.

For Substance Use: I understand that my records are protected under federal regulations, 42 CFR Part 2 Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Records and cannot be disclosed or redisclosed without my written consent unless otherwise provided for in the regulations. I also understand that, except for action already taken, I may rescind this consent at any time.

For Mental Health: I understand the contents to be released, the need for the information, and that there are statutes and regulations protecting the confidentiality of authorized information. I also understand that, except for action already taken, I may rescind this consent at any time.

Protected Health Information:

I understand that my alcohol and/or drug treatment records are protected under Federal regulations, 42 C.F.R. Part 2 Confidentiality and Drug Abuse Patient Records, and 45 C.F.R. Parts 160& 164, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"). Unless otherwise provided by federal regulations, information from alcohol and/or drug treatment records cannot be disclosed without my written consent. I also understand that I may revoke this consent in writing at any time except to the extent that action has been taken in reliance on the consent. I understand that generally _____

(Name of treatment program)

may not condition my treatment on whether I sign a consent form, but that in certain limited circumstances I may be denied treatment if I do not sign a consent form.

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Economic and Family Services

North Carolina Division of Social Services (NC DSS) complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religious creed, disability, age, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by U.S. Health and Human Services.

If I do not rescind this consent, it expires automatically as follows:

1. Upon my termination from the Work First Program, and/or the Food and Nutrition Services Program;
2. Or one year from the date this consent is signed; whichever occurs first.

Applicant/Recipient Signature

Date signed

Witness Signature

Date Signed

Applicant/Recipient received a copy of this consent form for his/her records. Yes / No (circle one) If no, provide reason below.

Attention: Work First and Food and Nutrition Services Staff

The following statement must accompany any Substance Use information that is released in relation to this consent form:

This information has been disclosed to you from records protected by federal confidentiality rules (42 CFR part 2). The federal rules prohibit you from making any further disclosure of information in this record that identifies a patient as having or having had a substance use disorder either directly, by reference to publicly available information, or through verification of such identification by another person unless further disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent of the individual whose information is being disclosed or as otherwise permitted by 42 CFR part 2. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose (see § 2.31). The federal rules restrict any use of the information to investigate or prosecute with regard to a crime any patient with a substance use disorder, except as provided at §§ 2.12(c)(5) and 2.65.