

SHARING DATA PRINCIPLES

COORDINATED ACCESS, REFERRAL, ENTRY AND STABILIZATION (CARES) SYSTEM

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WHY SHARE DATA?	HOW TO SHARE DATA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports coordination of services • Leads to more informed referrals and service delivery • Allows for better program and system analysis to help improve performance and outcomes • Reduces the cost of duplicating data collection for provider • Improves transparency and accountability • Reduces the time and emotional impact on the client due to repeatedly sharing information. • Improves the quality of aggregate data 	<p>Recognize that good data (in quality and usefulness) requires good input.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtain consent • Understand the need to share data and why you are collecting the information • Follow instructions to assure data is entered correctly • Encourage data sharing • Check data regularly for errors and omissions • Report duplicate data and errors immediately • Enter new and corrected information as soon as possible after obtaining it • Do NOT deny services if a client refuses to share data
ASSURE DATA PRIVACY	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assure you are collecting, entering, and accessing data on a need to know basis • Follow all data security policies and protocols • Obtain consent • Do NOT share data that can place a vulnerable client at a safety risk • If a client terminates or changes data sharing rights, with one or more agencies, update immediately in HMIS • Adhere to privacy and confidentiality guidelines 	
WHAT DATA MAY BE SHARED	WHAT DATA WILL NOT BE SHARED
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Names • Basic household demographics • Homeless status and history • Disability status – non-specific • Veteran status including discharge status • If you are a victim of domestic violence • General health history • Other program eligibility screening information • Contact information • Date of birth • Household information (i.e. size, names) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health or medical case notes • Police reports • Hospital or inpatient treatment records • Any information that would violate HIPPA or VAWA regulations • Anything the client requests NOT be shared