



## **CONFIDENTIALITY OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE CLIENT RECORDS**

The confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse client records maintained by this program is protected by Federal law and regulations. Generally, the program may not say to a person outside the program that a client attends the program or disclose any information identifying a client as an alcohol or drug abuser, UNLESS:

1. The client consents in writing;
2. The disclosure is allowed by a court order; or
3. The disclosure is made to medical personnel in a medical emergency or to qualified personnel for research, audit or program evaluation.

Violation of the Federal law and regulations by a program is a crime. Suspected violations may be reported to appropriate authorities in accordance with Federal regulations.

Federal law and regulations do not protect any information about a crime committed by a client either at the program or against any person who works for the program or about any threat to commit such a crime.

Federal laws and regulations do not protect any information about suspected child abuse or neglect from being reported under State law to appropriate State or local authorities.

(See 42 U.S.C. 290dd-3 and 42 U.S.C. 290ee-3 for Federal laws and 42 CFR Part 2 for Federal regulations.)

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