

## **Homeless Health Care Los Angeles**

## DRUG ABUSE HOMELESS DAY CARE SERVICES CONFIDENTIALITY OF CLIENT RECORDS

Confidentiality of client records is maintained by Homeless Health Care Los Angeles (HHCLA) and is protected by Federal law and regulations. HHCLA will not report that a person is a HHCLA client <u>unless</u>:

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

Limits to confidentiality are:

- 1. Child Abuse,
- 2. Elder Abuse,
- 3. Dependent adult abuse,
- 4. Danger to others (Duty to Warn),
- 5. Danger to self (Right to Warn),
- 6. Danger to property (Right to Warn).

Violation of the Federal law and regulation 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 a 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 42 USC 290ee-3 for Federal laws and CRF Part 2 for Federal regulations.)

I have read and understand the Confidentiality of Client Records Policy and acknowledge this by my signature.

Client Signature:	Date:
Staff Signature:	Date:
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