



**FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL OF ERIE COUNTY
CLIENT AUTHORIZATION FOR INFORMATION SHARING**

I hereby authorize the Member agencies of the Family & Children First Council of Erie County, named on the reverse side of this Authorization, to exchange, give, receive, share, or redisclose information in their records, from whatever source derived, related to my participation and that of my minor child:

Name of Child: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Social Security # _____

in the services provided by one or more of these agencies.

I understand the following:

1. The purpose of this information sharing is to improve the communication about services to me and my family.
2. Each of the member agencies has agreed:
 - a) to share this information only with other member agencies:
 - b) not to share information with non-member agencies without my written consent unless otherwise required or authorized by law; and
 - c) Information exchanged due to this authorization will not be used against me or my children for purposes of criminal investigation, prosecution, or sentencing, unless otherwise required by law or judicial order.
3. Any and all rights to confidentiality, which I may have under state or federal law, will continue, except for information covered by this form
4. I may revoke this Authorization at any time except for information that has been previously exchanged.
5. This Authorization shall automatically expire 180 days from the date below unless I revoke it sooner.
6. This Authorization shall not restrict information sharing otherwise authorized by law.

I authorize sharing of the following information: (Circle and initial, if yes, and sign below)

- Yes _____ Case Information: Identifying information, plus medical and social history, treatment/service history, Psychological evaluations, IEP's, IFSP's, transition plans, vocational assessments, grades and attendance, financial information and other personal information held by any of the member agencies regarding me or my minor children.
- Yes _____ HIV and AIDS- related diagnosis and treatment
- Yes _____ Substance abuse diagnosis and treatment
- Yes _____ Social Security Number

If yes: This Authorization for information sharing has been explained to me. I have read the disclosures below. I have been given a reasonable amount of time to ask questions and consider whether to permit sharing of this information. I hereby willingly agree to the sharing of information as described above.

Signature of Client

Date Signed

Signature of parent/guardian (if applicable)

Staff Person Facilitating this Authorization

Relationship of Person Signing to Client

If applicable, date of revocation. (Revocation must be submitted in writing)

I am also authorizing the exchange of information with the following specific persons/agencies:

Signature of Client (or parent/guardian if applicable) _____ Date Signed _____

MEMBER AGENCIES: (PLEASE CHECK EACH FOR AUTHORIZATION)

When Requesting ABC?FAST \$'s (Check all below)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Erie/Huron/Ottawa County Board of Education (Erie County Schools) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Regional/Local Family Advocates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sandusky City Schools | <input type="checkbox"/> | ODADAS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Erie County Board of MR/DD | <input type="checkbox"/> | MACSIS Staff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Mental Health & Recovery Board of Erie/Ottawa Counties | <input type="checkbox"/> | OSU Research/Evaluation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Bayshore Counseling | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Erie County Department of Job & Family Services | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Erie County Family/Juvenile Court | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Ohio Department of Youth Services | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Firelands Counseling & Recovery Services | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Erie County Early Intervention Collaborative/Help Me Grow | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Erie County Health Department | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Erie/Huron Counties Community Action Commission, Inc. | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Boys Village | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Family & Children First Council Director/Council | | |

Definition of "Case Information":

If this release authorizes the disclosure of Case Information, consent to such disclosure may include the following types of information, if it is in files of the agency disclosing this information:

- a. Identifying information: names, birth dates, sex, race, address, telephone number, social security number, type of services being received and name of agency providing services to me or my minor children. Medical records, including but not limited to results of physical and mental examinations, diagnoses of physical and mental disorders, medication history, physical and mental health status and history, summary of treatment services received, summary of treatment plans and treatment needs.
- b. Psychological and medical testing, including but not limited to any IQ tests or other tests of cognitive or emotional or mental status. and any reports of physical tests such as X-rays, CT scans, diagnostic blood testing, and other test results.
- c. All records of services provided by the Erie County Department of Human Services except child abuse investigation reports.
- d. Juvenile court and detention records.
- e. School records: This information is subject to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 USC 1232g, and the Ohio Student Records Privacy Act RC 3319.321.

To all Agencies receiving information disclosed pursuant to this consent:

If the records released pursuant to this consent include records of any diagnosis or treatment of drug or alcohol abuse, the following statement applies:

This information has been disclosed to you from records protected by Federal confidentiality rules (42CFR part 2). The Federal rules prohibit you from making any further disclosure of this information unless further disclosure is expressly pertained by the written consent of the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by 42 CRF part 2. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose. The Federal rules restrict any use of the information to criminally investigate or prosecute any alcohol or drug abuse patient.

If the records released include information of HIV-related diagnosis or test results, the following statement applies:

This information has been disclosed to you from confidential records protected from disclosure by state law. You shall make no further disclosure of this information without the specific, written and informed release of the individual to whom it pertains, or as otherwise permitted by state law. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for the purpose of the release of HIV test results or diagnosis.