



Colorado HMIS

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW COLORADO HMIS DATA ABOUT YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU MAY ACCESS COLORADO HMIS DATA

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

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Our Duty to Safeguard Your Protected Information

This notice describes the privacy policy of the Colorado HMIS and its partner agencies. Colorado HMIS may amend this policy at any time. We will collect information about you and your household only when appropriate. We are required to protect the privacy of all identifying information. We may use or disclose your information to evaluate services needed, to impact public policy and to understand the homeless and at-risk population. We assume that you agree to allow us to collect information and to use or disclose it as described in this notice. The full privacy policy and practices is available upon request, should you have any questions or concerns please contact the agency staff.

How We May Use and Disclose Your Information

Data collected is used and disclosed for reporting on homelessness and services needed by those who are homeless or at-risk. HMIS Partner Agencies are permitted to share confidential client information with other Partner Agencies for the purpose of better coordination of housing and services. At any time, the client has the right to ask for a current list of Partner Agencies. Information that could be used to tell who you are will never be used for published reports. We must have your consent to use and disclose your information beyond these purposes unless the law permits or requires us to make the use or disclosure without your permission. We are required to report a life-threatening situation to you or others, and/or a suspicion of child abuse or neglect to the proper authorities.

Your Rights Regarding Your Information

- Unless you and your household participate in an agency or program that requires participation in Colorado HMIS, you have the right to get services even if you choose NOT to participate in Colorado HMIS.
- You have the right to ask for information about who will see your information.
- You have the right to review your HMIS information. To request your information, please contact the agency and follow their procedure for accessing information.