

Grant Confidentiality Agreement

EXHIBIT A Part 3 Special Provisions

1. Confidentiality

In order to ensure the safety of adult, youth, and child victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, Recipient shall protect the confidentiality and privacy of persons receiving services. Recipient shall not disclose any personally identifying information or individual information collected in connection with services requested, utilized, or denied through Recipient's programs; or reveal individual client information without the informed, written, reasonably time-limited consent of the person (or in the case of an un-emancipated minor, the minor and the parent or guardian or in the case of persons with disabilities, the guardian) about whom information is sought, whether for this program or any other Federal, State, tribal, or territorial grant program, except that consent for release may not be given by the abuser of the minor, person with disabilities, or the abuser of the other parent of the minor.

If release of information described in the previous paragraph is compelled by statutory or court mandate, Recipient shall make reasonable attempts to provide notice to victims affected by the disclosure of information; and Recipient shall take steps necessary to protect the privacy and safety of the persons affected by the release of the information.

Recipient may share (1) non-personally identifying data in the aggregate regarding services to their clients and non-personally identifying information in order to comply with Federal, State, tribal, or territorial reporting, evaluation, or data collection requirements; (2) court-generated information and law-enforcement generated information contained in secure, governmental registries for protection order enforcement purposes; and (3) law-enforcement and prosecution-generated information necessary for law enforcement and prosecution purposes.

The term "personally identifying information", "individual information", or "personal information" means individually identifying information for or about an individual of a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, including (1) a first and last name; (2) a home or other physical address; (3) contact information (including a postal, e-mail or Internet protocol address, or telephone or facsimile number); (4) a social security number; and (5) any other information, including date of birth, racial or ethnic background, or religious affiliation, that, in combination with any other non-personally identifying information would serve to identify any individual.

No client-level data should be shared with a third party, regardless of encryption, hashing, or other data security measures, without a written, time-limited release as described in the FVPSA section 10406(c)(5). The address or location of any FVPSA-supported shelter facility shall not be made public except with written

authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter, and the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided Domestic Violence services by any FVPSA-supported program will be strictly maintained.