

Better Decisions

CONFIDENTIALITY NOTICE

The confidentiality of alcohol and drug dependency client records maintained by this program is protected by Federal regulations. These guidelines include: Code of Federal Regulations 42 part 2 and Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act (HIPAA). 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 alcohol or drug dependent UNLESS:**

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;
4. The client presents a threat to themselves or another person while in residency in the program.

Violation of the Federal law and regulations by a program is a violation. 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.