

**VERMONT DUI TREATMENT DOCKET RELEASE**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE AND DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL  
ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG ABUSE PATIENT INFORMATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Client's Name), Docket/Case #'s \_\_\_\_\_, hereby authorize the Windsor County DUI Treatment Docket and staff thereof, to receive information from and release information to the following: (The information being shared is regarding my eligibility, progress, attendance and compliance with the DUI treatment court services.) Check appropriate boxes and insert name:

- Treatment Provider \_\_\_\_\_
- My Attorney \_\_\_\_\_
- Public Defender \_\_\_\_\_
- State's Attorney \_\_\_\_\_
- HCRS / Case Manager \_\_\_\_\_
- Dept. of Corrections (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_
- Dept. of Employment and Training (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_
- Guardian ad litem (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_
- Other – Provide Name \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that any information shared is protected by Federal Regulation 42 CFR, Part 2, "Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records" and cannot be disclosed without my written consent unless otherwise provided for in the regulations. (See back of Authorization). Recipients of this information may re-disclose it only in connection with their official duties.

I understand that I have the right to restrict this information. I understand that this information may be discussed in open court; however, detailed specific treatment information will not be disclosed in open court. I am aware that the courtroom is a public place and that the hearings are recorded, and that anyone present in the courtroom can hear the information shared, including members of the media.

I understand that the services I receive are not conditioned upon authorizing this disclosure and that although revocation of this consent will result in termination from the DUI Treatment Docket, services not provided through the DUI Treatment Docket may continue. Revocation should be submitted in writing and sent to the DUI Treatment Docket Coordinator.

This authorization permits the release of the information as described above from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ or through my completion or termination in the program, whichever occurs first.

**Participant's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

If under 18 years of age, Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Minor \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and explained the content and purpose of this release and have received verbal acknowledgement of understanding by the individual.

**Witness Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Revocation**

I hereby revoke this authorization on \_\_\_\_\_(date) at \_\_\_\_\_(time). Do not release any further information under this authorization. I understand that any information that has already been released is not effected by the revocation and may be considered covered under this authorization.

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

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State of Vermont  
Drug Treatment Courts

**Notification Form from 42 C.F.R. § 2.22(d)**

**CONFIDENTIALITY OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PATIENT RECORDS**

The confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records maintained by this program is protected by federal law and regulations. Generally, the program may not say to a person outside the program that a patient attends the program, or disclose any information identifying a patient as an alcohol or drug abuser unless:

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

Violation of the federal law and regulations 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 patient either at the program or against any 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 and 42 U.S.C. § 290ee-3 for federal laws and 42 C.F.R. Part 2 for federal regulations.)