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STATE OF MINNESOTA 2012 JUL 26 AM 10:34 DISTRICT COURT – JUVENILE DIVISION
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN BY HENNEPIN CO. DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATOR DEPUTY FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

FILE CLEARANCE DATA ACCESS FOR
AGENCIES PARTICIPATING IN
HENNEPIN COUNTY'S CROSSOVER YOUTH
PILOT PROJECT

ORDER

WHEREAS:

1. For purposes of this Order, a "crossover youth" is defined as a child who moves between or is simultaneously involved in the juvenile justice and social services systems.
2. Hennepin County has a significant number of children that are simultaneously involved in both the juvenile justice and social service systems and meet the definition of a crossover youth.
3. Agencies working with these children have long recognized that they pose special challenges and agencies need to work collaboratively to improve the outcomes for dually involved children.
4. In 2011, Hennepin County sent a group of delegates from Hennepin County's social services and juvenile justice departments to Georgetown University to learn about the Crossover Youth Practice Model developed by Casey Family Programs and the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform.
5. Hennepin County was selected as a model site for implementation of the Crossover Youth Practice Model. The Hennepin County Crossover Youth Pilot Program is a collaboration between the district court bench, the Human Services and Public Health Department, the Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, the Hennepin County Public Defender's Office, schools and other community agencies that serve crossover youth.

6. The goal of Hennepin County's Crossover Youth Pilot Project is to coordinate case management services and improve family engagement for crossover youth. The pilot will use targeted interventions designed to promote safe and stable environments for children, reduce unnecessary out-of-home placements, and keep children from penetrating deeper into the juvenile delinquency system.
7. Identifying youth at the point that they crossover from the social services system into the delinquency system is a key component to the Crossover Youth Practice Model. Another key component of the model is information sharing between agencies with clients in common.
8. The Hennepin County Attorney's Office – Juvenile Prosecution Division is responsible for reviewing all delinquency offenses committed by youth in Hennepin County. As the first point of contact, the Hennepin County Attorney's Office is in the best position to identify youth as they crossover from the social services system into the delinquency system. In Hennepin County's Crossover Youth Pilot Project, the Hennepin County Attorney's Office – Juvenile Prosecution Division is the entity responsible for identifying a child as a potential crossover youth.
9. The Minnesota Department of Human Services maintains a Shared Master Index that contains Person Detail information. The Shared Master Index is used to manage client identity and can also be used to identify and link shared clients across various programs and systems.
10. Minnesota Statute § 13.468 permits some data sharing between county agencies for purposes of case coordination and management. The statute provides:

County welfare, human services, corrections, public health, and veterans service units within a county may inform each other as to whether an individual or family currently is being served by the county unit, without the consent of the subject of the data. Data that may be shared are limited to the following: the name, telephone number, and last known address of the data subject; and the identification and contact information regarding personnel of the county unit responsible for working with the individual or family. If further information is necessary for the county unit to carry out its duties, each county unit may share additional data if the unit is authorized by state statute or federal law to do so or the individual gives written, informed consent.
11. The Person Detail information in Shared Master Index provides access to a person's date of birth and social security number. This data is not governed by Minnesota

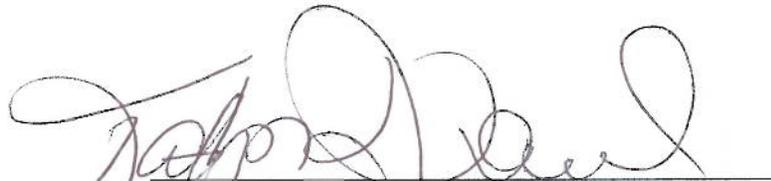
Statute §13.468. This additional information is, however, critical to identity management.

12. The Social Services Information System (SSIS) Case Detail information in the Shared Master Index provides information on the type of social services case open in the Human Services and Public Health Department, the name of the worker, the worker contact information, and, depending on how the case is structured, other case participants. The type of social services case open in the Human Services and Public Health Department and the other case participants is data that is not governed by Minnesota Statute §13.468. This additional information is, however, critical to case coordination.
13. Access to Person Detail information and SSIS Case Detail information from the Shared Master Index for Hennepin County's Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation would assist the Department in managing client identity and more effectively serving its clients through collaboration with the Hennepin County's Human Services and Public Health Department.
14. Sharing Personal Detail information and SSIS Case Detail information that is contained in the Shared Master Index is essential for the Hennepin County Attorney's Office – Juvenile Prosecution Division and the Hennepin County Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation to carry out their duties in Hennepin County's Crossover Youth Pilot Project.
15. The Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation has identified specific probation officers to provide services to the crossover youth population. Access to Human Services and Public Health Department case management data in SSIS -- including, but not limited to, case notes and placement information -- is necessary for the probation officers to provide effective case management and will facilitate the coordination of services between the two departments.
16. In Hennepin County, access to data in the Shared Master Index occurs through an interface with the Human Services and Public Health Department Enterprise Communication Framework.
17. The Court finds that the benefits to the individuals whose minimal private and confidential data will be shared for the purposes of identity management, linking clients across programs, and effective case management, as well as the benefit to the juvenile delinquency and juvenile protection systems outweighs any harm to the confidentiality interests of those who are the subject of the data.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The Minnesota Department of Human Services shall grant the Hennepin County Attorney's Office – Juvenile Prosecution Division access to Person Detail information from the Shared Master Index maintained by the Department. This data is accessible through the Human Services and Public Health Department Enterprise Communication Framework. Any data accessed pursuant to this Order shall be used solely for the purpose of identifying children that may be dually involved in the social services and juvenile justice systems.
2. The Minnesota Department of Human Services shall grant the Hennepin County Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation access to Person Detail information from the Shared Master Index maintained by the Department. This data is accessible through the Human Services and Public Health Department Enterprise Communication Framework. Any data accessed pursuant to this Order shall be used solely for the purpose of providing case management services for children that may be dually involved in the social services and juvenile justice systems.
3. The Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department shall grant the Hennepin County Attorney's Office – Juvenile Prosecution Division access to the SSIS Case Detail information from the Shared Master Index maintained by the Department. This data is accessible through the Human Services and Public Health Department Enterprise Communication Framework. Any data accessed pursuant to this Order shall be used solely for the purpose of identifying children that may be dually involved in the social services and juvenile justice systems.
4. The Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department shall grant the Hennepin County Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation access to the SSIS Case Detail information from the Shared Master Index maintained by the Department. This data is accessible through the Human Services and Public Health Department Enterprise Communication Framework. Any data accessed pursuant to this Order shall be used solely for the purpose of identifying children that may be dually involved in the social services and juvenile justice systems.

BY THE COURT:



Judge Kathryn Quaintance
Presiding Judge – Juvenile Court

Dated: 7/24/12