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Name	Name		Date of Request			
Mailing Address – Street or P.O. Box			Social Security Number, Patient Number, or State ID			
City, State, and Zip Code			Phone Number		Birth Date	
Check all of the programs that apply: Medicaid hawk-I Facility						
To be completed by client or client's personal representative						
I request a list of the disclosures the Department of Health and Human Services has made of protected health information for the following family members.						
I understand that there may be a charge for this list and that I will be informed of the charge before I receive the list. I will receive this information within 60 days unless I am notified in writing that an additional 30 days is needed to obtain the information.						
I understand this list will include the date of the disclosure, the name and address (if known) of the person or agency who received the information, a brief description of the information disclosed, and a brief statement of the purpose of the disclosure.						
	Name of Individual	SSN, Sta	N, State ID, or Patient Number		Date of Birth	
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I want this information for the following time period (cannot be before April 14, 2003):						
From: To:						
Client or Personal Representative's Signature				Date		
To be completed by Security and Privacy Office						
Request is granted.						
Request is denied. Reason for denial:						
Manual and Rule Reference:						
Security and Privacy Office Signature				Date		

You Have the Right to Appeal

What is an appeal? An appeal is asking for a hearing because you do not like a decision the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) makes. You have the right to file an appeal if you disagree with a decision. You do not have to pay to file an appeal. [441 Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 7].

How do I appeal? Filing an appeal is easy. You must appeal in writing by doing one of the following:

- Complete an appeal electronically at <u>https://dhssecure.dhs.state.ia.us/forms/</u>, or
- Write a letter telling us why you think a decision is wrong, or
- Fill out an Appeal and Request for Hearing form. You can get this form at your county HHS office.

Send or take your appeal to the Department of Health and Human Services, Appeals Section, 321 E Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. If you need help filing an appeal, ask your county HHS office.

How long do I have to appeal? You must file an appeal:

- Within 30 calendar days of the date of a decision or
- Before the date a decision goes into effect

If you file an appeal more than 30 but less than 90 calendar days from the date of a decision, you must tell us why your appeal is late. If you have a good reason for filing your appeal late, we will decide if you can get a hearing. If you file an appeal 90 days after the date of a decision, we **cannot** give you a hearing.

Can I continue to get benefits when my appeal is pending? You may keep your benefits until an appeal is final or through the end of your certification period if you file an appeal:

- Within 10 calendar days of the date of a decision or
- Before the date a decision goes into effect

Any benefits you get while your appeal is being decided may have to be paid back if the Department's action is correct.

How will I know if I get a hearing? You will get a hearing notice that tells you the date and time a telephone hearing is scheduled. You will get a letter telling you if you do not get a hearing. This letter will tell you why you did not get a hearing. It will also explain what you can do if you disagree with the decision to not give you a hearing.

Can I have someone else help me in the hearing? You or someone else, such as a friend or relative can tell why you disagree with the Department's decision. You may also have a lawyer help you, but the Department will not pay for one. Your county HHS office can give you information about legal services. The cost of legal services will be based on your income. You may also call Iowa Legal Aid at 1-800-532-1275. If you live in Polk County, call 515-243-1193.

Policy Regarding Discrimination, Harassment, Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity

It is HHS policy to provide equal treatment in employment and provision of services to applicants, employees and clients without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, religion, age, disability, political belief or veteran status.

If you feel HHS has discriminated against or harassed you, please send a letter detailing your complaint to:

lowa Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Human Resources, Lucas Building, 321 E. Walnut, Des Moines IA 50319; fax (515) 281-4243 or via e-mail <u>stopit@dhs.state.ia.us</u>.