



## MICHIGAN WORKFORCE BACKGROUND CHECK CONSENT AND DISCLOSURE

MCL 333.20173a, MCL 330.1134a, and MCL 400.734b require that a health facility/agency that is a:

- Nursing Home
- Hospice
- Home for the Aged
- Adult Foster Care Facility (AFC)
- County Medical Care Facility
- Hospital that provides Swing Bed Services
- Home Health Agency
- Psychiatric Hospital/Inpatient Unit

Shall not employ, independently contract with, or grant clinical privileges to an individual who regularly has direct access to or provides direct services to patients or residents in the health facility/agency or AFC until the health facility/agency or AFC conducts a fingerprint-based criminal history check.

An individual who applies for employment either as an employee or as an independent contractor or for clinical privileges with a health care facility/agency or AFC and has received a good faith offer of employment, an independent contract, or clinical privileges shall give written consent at the time of application for the health care facility/agency or AFC to conduct a criminal history check, including a state and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) fingerprint-based check, and shall give a written statement disclosing that he or she has not been convicted of a crime that would prohibit employment.

**Note:** Throughout this form:

- "Employee" includes persons independently contracted with and/or those granted clinical privileges.
- Clinical privileges do not apply to adult foster care facilities.

### Health Facility or Agency

**Licensee Name:** Central State Community Services

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Employment Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Facility Name/License Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

- a. May not knowingly employ a worker, having direct access to patients/residents, who has been convicted of a disqualifying crime or has been the subject of a state or federal agency substantiated finding of patient or resident neglect, abuse, or misappropriation of property. "Direct access" means regular access to a patient or resident, or to a patient's or resident's property, financial information, medical records, treatment information, or any other identifying information.
- AFC: b. May terminate the background check or decide not to hire the individual at any stage of the process.
- c. Must ensure that any background check information provided will only be used for the purpose of determining an individual's suitability for employment in a covered health care facility/agency or AFC.
- d. Must retain verification of compliance with background check requirements.
- e. Will make the final employment decision.

\*This does not include a finding of abuse, neglect, or misappropriation (financial exploitation) substantiated under the Michigan Mental Health Code or Adult Protective Services Act.

## Part 1 – Consent to Conduct Background and Criminal Record Checks

As a condition of being considered for employment:

- a. I hereby consent to and authorize the health facility/agency or AFC to conduct a background check that includes a search of state and federal abuse and neglect registries and databases, in addition to a fingerprint-based search of state and federal criminal history records. I understand that this consent extends to the release and sharing of such information with the Michigan Departments of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs and State Police.
- b. I hereby authorize the release of any relevant information to the health facility/agency or AFC to be used to conduct the background check as required under MCL 333.20173a, MCL 330.1134a, and MCL 400.734b.
- c. I understand, except for a knowing or intentional release of false information, the health facility/agency or AFC has no liability in connection with a background check conducted under MCL 333.20173a, MCL 330.1134a, and MCL 400.734b or the release of criminal history record information for the purposes of making an employment decision.
- d. I understand that the health facility/agency or AFC will make the final employment determination. I also understand that the health facility/agency or AFC may terminate the background check or decide not to hire me at any stage of the process.
- e. I understand that the health facility/agency or AFC, in denying employment to an applicant, and reasonably relying on information obtained through a background check, is provided immunity from any action brought by an applicant due to the employment decision.
- f. I agree to provide the information necessary to conduct a criminal background check.
- g. Privacy Act Statement:
  - a. Authority: Acquisition, preservation, and exchange of fingerprints and associated information by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is generally authorized under 28 U.S.C. 534. Depending on the nature of your application, supplemental authorities include Federal statutes, State statutes pursuant to Pub. L. 92-544, Presidential Executive Orders, and federal regulations. Providing your fingerprints and associated information is voluntary; however, failure to do so may affect completion or approval of your application.
  - b. Principal Purpose: Certain determinations, such as employment, licensing, and security clearances, may be predicated on fingerprint-based background checks. Your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics may be provided to the employing, investigating, or otherwise responsible agency, and/or the FBI for the purpose of comparing your fingerprints to other fingerprints in the FBI's Next Generation Identification (NGI) system or its successor systems (including civil, criminal, and latent fingerprint repositories) or other available records of the employing, investigating, or otherwise responsible agency. The FBI may retain your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics in NGI after the completion of this application and, while retained, your fingerprints may continue to be compared against other fingerprints submitted to or retained by NGI.

c. Routine Uses: During the processing of this application and for as long thereafter as your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics are retained in NGI, your information may be disclosed pursuant to your consent, and may be disclosed without your consent as permitted by the Privacy Act of 1974 and all applicable Routine Uses as may be published at any time in the Federal Register, including Routine Uses for the NGI system and the FBI's Blanket Routine Uses. Routine Uses include, but are not limited to, disclosures to: employing, governmental or authorized non-governmental agencies responsible for employment, contracting, licensing, security clearances, and other suitability determinations; local, state, tribal, or federal law enforcement agencies; criminal justice agencies; and agencies responsible for national security or public safety.

h. Procedure to Obtain a Change, Correction or Update of Identification Records:

If, after reviewing his/her identification record, the subject thereof believes that it is incorrect or incomplete in any respect and wishes changes, corrections, or updating of the alleged deficiency; he/she should make application directly to the agency which contributed the questioned information. The subject of a record may also direct his/her challenge as to the accuracy or completeness of any entry on his/her record to the FBI, Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division, ATTN: SCU, Mod. D2, 1000 Custer Hollow Road, Clarksburg, WV 26306. The FBI will then forward the challenge to the agency which submitted the data requesting that agency to verify or correct the challenged entry. Upon the receipt of an official communication directly from the agency which contributed the original information, the FBI CJIS Division will make any changes necessary in accordance with the information supplied by that agency. (28 CFR § 16.34)

i. Consent:

I understand that my personal information and biometric data being submitted by Live Scan, will be used to search against identification records from both the Michigan State Police (MSP) and the FBI for the purpose listed above. I hereby authorize the release of my personal information for such purposes and release of any records found to the authorized requesting agency listed above.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date