



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS GREG ABBOTT

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Agreements

Statement

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, AUTOMATED COMPUTER SYSTEM ACCESS STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

General Information:

All information maintained in the files and records of the Child Support Division are protected and confidential. The unauthorized use or release of the information can result in criminal prosecution and civil liability. Only authorized personnel may add, modify and/or delete information.

Statements:

I understand that the information concerning any person, customer or client that may come to my knowledge while using the computer system of the TXCSDU or TXCSES or any other OAG computer shall be held in strictest confidence and may not be disclosed except as used exclusively for purposes directly connected with the administration of programs under Title IV-A, IV-D and IX of the federal Social Security Act and the OAG Confidentiality Policy and Procedures.

Notwithstanding the above, I understand that I may not disclose to any individual or agency any federal tax return or return information. I further understand that it is unlawful to offer or receive anything of value in exchange for federal tax return or return information. Such unauthorized disclosure or exchange is punishable by a fine up to \$5,000 or imprisonment up to 5 years, or both, under Internal Revenue Code 7213 and 7213A. Accessing federal tax information without a "need to know" is a federal crime or punishable by a fine up to \$100,000, imprisonment up to 100,000, or both, plus costs of prosecution under 7213A. Intentional disclosure of such information to any individual or agency, or damages of not less than \$100 per violation, together with civil penalties under Section 7213 of the Internal Revenue Code.

I also understand that I may not disclose information to any committee or legislative body (except state or local) that identifies by name or address any such applicant or recipient of services. Use of such information by a local government or component thereof for any other purpose, including but not limited to, collecting a fee is prohibited.

I understand that I may not perform any work, review, update or otherwise act to obtain information upon my own, or any relative, friend's, or business associate's child support case, regardless if the case is open or closed. My failure to comply with the OAG Confidentiality Policy will result in immediate termination of my computer access. I also understand that a violation will be reported to my supervisor or other appropriate personnel in my agency for disciplinary action, which may include termination and/or referral for prosecution.

In addition, if applicable, I understand that the computer password(s) I receive or devise is confidential, and must not be disclosed to anyone. I understand that it is my responsibility to safeguard such password(s) by not allowing it to be viewed by anyone. I understand that I am responsible for computer transactions performed through misuse of my password(s).

I agree I will not load unauthorized software, personal computer programs, shareware or freeware of any kind onto the OAG computer equipment without the express written approval of the Office of the Attorney General, Information Resource Manager or designee, or the contract manager or designee. I understand that use of a password not issued or devised specifically for me is expressly prohibited and is a violation of state and federal law.

I also understand that failure to observe the above conditions may constitute a "breach of computer security" as defined in the TEXAS PENAL CODE, CHAPTER 33, Section 33.02 (b), and that such an offense may be classified as a felony. Similar federal statutes may also be applicable.

I certify that I understand that any copyrighted material, including but not limited to commercial computer software, which may be made available to me for use by the OAG is protected by copyright laws and is not to be copied for any reason without written permission from the owner of the copyright and the OAG.


By agreeing to this statement I certify that I:

- agree to abide by all written conditions imposed by the OAG regarding information security;
- understand my responsibilities as described above;
- have received, read and understand the OAG security information policy manual; and
- if applicable, I have read all applicable software licenses and agree to abide by all restrictions.

I Agree

I Disagree

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WARNING

This system may contain U.S. Government Information, which is restricted to authorized users ONLY. Unauthorized access, use, misuse or modification of this computer system or of the data contained herein or in transit to/from this system constitutes a violation of Title 18 of the Texas Penal Code, Section 16.06, and may subject the individual to Criminal and Civil penalties pursuant to Title 25, United States Code, Sections 7213, 7215A (the Taxpayer Reporting Prohibition Act) and 7431. This system and equipment are subject to monitoring to ensure proper performance of applicable security features and procedures. Such monitoring may result in the acquisition, recording and analysis of all data being communicated, transmitted, processed or stored in this system by a user. If monitoring reveals possible evidence of criminal activity, such evidence may be provided to Law Enforcement Personnel.

ANYONE USING THIS SYSTEM EXPRESSLY CONSENTS TO SUCH MONITORING.

When you register for the OAG Portal Service, we may ask you to give us certain identifying information (Registration) such as your name, address, and e-mail or the company's name and address and the company representative's name and e-mail address. This information will be used solely for Child Support (CS) purposes.

You agree to provide true, accurate, current, and complete information about yourself and your company. You also agree not to impersonate any person or entity, impersonate any relation with another person, entity, or association, use false headers or otherwise conceal your identity from the OAG for any purpose.

For your protection and the protection of our other members, we have established a policy that you will not share your Registration information (including passwords, User Names, and e-mail addresses) with any other person for the purpose of facilitating their access and unauthorized use of OAG Portal Services. You remain responsible for all transactions initiated, messages posted, statements made, or acts or omissions that occur when any OAG Portal Service through the use of Registration information. Your failure to honor any portion of this agreement can result in termination of access to Portal Services.

Portal Tools | Accessibility | Privacy & Security Policy

Data Integrity Procedures Changes to Case Information

Before updating member/ case information, such as home address, phone number, etc., verify the caller's identity. Ask the caller for the following identifiers:

- Name
- Date of Birth
- Home address

If there is any doubt about the caller's identity after these identifier's have been obtained, ask for the children names and date of birth.

When pertinent information is unavailable on registry-only (RO) cases, county staff are prevented from verifying a caller's identity. Once all attempts to verify the caller's identity have been exhausted, instruct the caller to take one of the following actions in order to have the member/case information updated on TXCSESWeb:

• **Mail:**

- a copy of a photo ID
- information to be updated
- proof/verification of the information to be updated (ie., home address, SSN card, drivers license, etc.) to the county address

• **FAX:**

- a photo ID
- information to be updated
- proof/verification of the information to be updated (ie., home address, SSN card, drivers license, etc.) to the county FAX number

• **E-mail the information** to be updated with a scanned copy of the proof/verification information to be updated (ie., home address, SSN card, drivers license, etc.) to the county email address

• **In Person (District Clerk Office or Domestic Relations Office):**

- a photo ID
- information to be updated
- proof/verification of the information to be updated (ie., home address, SSN card, drivers license, etc.)

• **Visit the local child support office** that is assigned to work the RO case and provide:

- a photo ID
- information to be updated
- proof/verification of the information to be updated (ie., home address, SSN card, drivers license, etc.)



CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
FORM F

PROGRAM: CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO TITLE IV-D OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1935 AS ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

PERIOD: September 1, 2012 to August 31, 2014

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by, or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an office or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Signature

Date

Title

Organization

The agency should include the Exhibit 7 language for either General Services or Technology Services, as appropriate and include the language below to the greatest extent possible, applicable to the specific situation.

CONTRACT LANGUAGE FOR GENERAL SERVICES

I. PERFORMANCE

In performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with and assume responsibility for compliance by his or her employees with the following requirements:

- (1) All work will be performed under the supervision of the contractor or the contractor's responsible employees.
- (2) Any Federal tax returns or return information (hereafter referred to as returns or return information) made available shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this contract. Information contained in such material shall be treated as confidential and shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of this contract. Inspection by or disclosure to anyone other than an officer or employee of the contractor is prohibited.
- (3) All returns and return information will be accounted for upon receipt and properly stored before, during, and after processing. In addition, all related output and products will be given the same level of protection as required for the source material.
- (4) No work involving returns and return information furnished under this contract will be subcontracted without prior written approval of the IRS.
- (5) The contractor will maintain a list of employees authorized access. Such list will be provided to the agency and, upon request, to the IRS reviewing office.
- (6) The agency will have the right to void the contract if the contractor fails to provide the safeguards described above.
- (7) (Include any additional safeguards that may be appropriate.)

II. CRIMINAL/CIVIL SANCTIONS

- (1) Each officer or employee of any person to whom returns or return information is or may be disclosed shall be notified in writing by such person that returns or return information disclosed to such officer or employee can be used only for a purpose and to the extent authorized herein, and that further disclosure of any such returns or return information for a purpose or to an extent unauthorized herein constitutes a felony punishable upon conviction by a fine of as much as \$5,000 or imprisonment for as long as five years, or both, together with the costs of prosecution. Such person shall also notify each such officer and employee that any such unauthorized future disclosure of returns or return information may also result in an award of civil damages against the officer or employee in an amount not less than \$1,000 with respect to each instance of unauthorized disclosure. These penalties are prescribed by IRC Sections 7213 and 7431 and set forth at 26 CFR 301.6103(n)-1.

(2) Each officer or employee of any person to whom returns or return information is or may be disclosed shall be notified in writing by such person that any return or return information made available in any format shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this contract. Information contained in such material shall be treated as confidential and shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of this contract. Inspection by or disclosure to anyone without an official need to know constitutes a criminal misdemeanor punishable upon conviction by a fine of as much as \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for as long as 1 year, or both, together with the costs of prosecution. Such person shall also notify each such officer and employee that any such unauthorized inspection or disclosure of returns or return information may also result in an award of civil damages against the officer or employee [United States for Federal employees] in an amount equal to the sum of the greater of \$1,000.00 for each act of unauthorized inspection or disclosure with respect to which such defendant is found liable or the sum of the actual damages sustained by the plaintiff as a result of such unauthorized inspection or disclosure plus in the case of a willful inspection or disclosure which is the result of gross negligence, punitive damages, plus the costs of the action. The penalties are prescribed by IRC Sections 7213A and 7431.

(3) Additionally, it is incumbent upon the contractor to inform its officers and employees of the penalties for improper disclosure imposed by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. Specifically, 5 U.S.C. 552a(i)(1), which is made applicable to contractors by 5 U.S.C. 552a(m)(1), provides that any officer or employee of a contractor, who by virtue of his/her employment or official position, has possession of or access to agency records which contain individually identifiable information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by the Privacy Act or regulations established thereunder, and who knowing that disclosure of the specific material is so prohibited, willfully discloses the material in any manner to any person or agency not entitled to receive it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.

(4) Granting a contractor access to FTI must be preceded by certifying that each individual understands the agency's security policy and procedures for safeguarding IRS information. Contractors must maintain their authorization to access FTI through annual recertification. The initial certification and recertification must be documented and placed in the agency's files for review. As part of the certification and at least annually afterwards, contractors should be advised of the provisions of IRC Sections 7431, 7213, and 7213A (see Exhibit 6, *IRC Sec. 7431 Civil Damages for Unauthorized Disclosure of Returns and Return Information* and Exhibit 5, *IRC Sec. 7213 Unauthorized Disclosure of Information*). The training provided before the initial certification and annually thereafter must also cover the incident response policy and procedure for reporting unauthorized disclosures and data breaches. (See Section 10) For both the initial certification and the annual certification, the contractor should sign, either with ink or electronic signature, a confidentiality statement certifying their understanding of the security requirements.

III. INSPECTION

The IRS and the Agency shall have the right to send its officers and employees into the offices and plants of the contractor for inspection of the facilities and operations provided for the performance of any work under this contract. On the basis of such inspection, specific measures may be required in cases where the contractor is found to be noncompliant with contract safeguards.

CONTRACT LANGUAGE FOR TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

I. PERFORMANCE

In performance of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with and assume responsibility for compliance by his or her employees with the following requirements:

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- (4) The contractor certifies that the data processed during the performance of this contract will be completely purged from all data storage components of his or her computer facility, and no output will be retained by the contractor at the time the work is completed. If immediate purging of all data storage components is not possible, the contractor certifies that any IRS data remaining in any storage component will be safeguarded to prevent unauthorized disclosures.
- (5) Any spoilage or any intermediate hard copy printout that may result during the processing of IRS data will be given to the agency or his or her designee. When this is not possible, the contractor will be responsible for the destruction of the spoilage or any intermediate hard copy printouts, and will provide the agency or his or her designee with a statement containing the date of destruction, description of material destroyed, and the method used.
- (6) All computer systems receiving, processing, storing, or transmitting Federal tax information must meet the requirements defined in IRS Publication 1075. To meet functional and assurance requirements, the security features of the environment must provide for the managerial, operational, and technical controls. All security features must be available and activated to protect against unauthorized use of and access to Federal tax information.
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