## **Consumer Notice**

## HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM NETWORK

This Agency participates in the Missouri Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), which collects basic information about clients receiving services from this agency. This helps us get a more accurate count of individuals and families experiencing homelessness, and to identify the need for different services. Some agencies receive funding to provide services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness or near-homelessness that requires use of HMIS. Other agencies choose to use this database outside of funding requirements.

We only collect information that we consider to be appropriate. The collection and use of all personal information is guided by strict standards of confidentiality. A copy of our Privacy Notice describing our privacy practice is available to all consumers upon request. Agencies participating in HMIS share information with other agencies partnered in HMIS unless they serve a protected population, in compliance with applicable federal and state law. The list of HMIS Partner Agencies is available to clients at intake and also posted at: <a href="https://www.icalliances.org/missouri-forms">https://www.icalliances.org/missouri-forms</a>. Sharing information among agencies allows those agencies to work in a cooperative manner to provide you with better services.

You can share your personal information with other area agencies that participate in the network by completing a "Release of Information" form. This will allow those agencies to work in a cooperative manner to provide you with efficient and effective services.

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