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RECORD RETENTION POLICY



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I. PURPOSE

This policy and procedure is to identify records ABLED, Inc. maintains and for how long.

II. AUTHORITY

This policy and procedure is implemented with the approval of the ABLED, Inc. Board of Directors and/or its designee.

III. PROCEDURAL DIRECTIVES

Information will be retained, at a minimum, as follows:

A. RETENTION OF INDIVIDUAL INFORMATION

1. Most of the Individual's information will be maintained on Therap while additional information may be securely maintained electronically.

B. RETENTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE FORMS

- 1. Administrative Forms will be maintained on Therap while additional information may be securely maintained electronically.
- 2. Medical forms will be maintained on Therap while additional information may be securely maintained electronically.
- 3. Personnel information will be maintained securely electronically.
- 4. Financial forms will be securely maintained electronically.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ABLED, Inc. may retain additional information at its discretion.

D. RECORD DESTRUCTION

Paper records will be scanned and stored securely electronically. Once scanned paper records must be shredded. Destroying electronic information requires completely expunging from storage devices/media or the device/media destroyed.



IV. APPENDICES

A. INDIVIDUAL'S MASTER FILE SCHEDULE

FORMAT	RETENTION		
Current Photo	Discard when photo is updated – at least every three years for adults and annually for minors.		
Section I – Individual:			
Individual-centered plans; Individual-centered assessments; personal information and history; communication dictionaries, etc.	Retain while the individual is in services and for a minimum of six years after the termination of services.		
Section II – Support Services			
Career Plan All career planning-related information	Retain while the individual is in services and for a minimum of six years after the termination of services.		
ISP's In chronological order	Retain while individual is in services and for a minimum of six years after termination of services		
Assessments Current year assessments; Speech Reports	Retain for a minimum of six years.		
Human & Legal Review Positive Behavioral Supports (FBA; intervention plans; safety plans; programs); rights restrictions	Retain while the individual is in services and for a minimum of six years after the termination of services.		
Psychotherapeutic Meds	Retain for a minimum of six years for adults and six years after age 19 for minors.		
Review Forms (Rights, Complaint Mechanism)	Retain for a minimum of two years		
Section III – Health Services			
Current Medication and/or Treatments			
Assessment Record	Retain while the individual is in services & for six years after the termination of services		
Prescription Medication History & Profile			
Physician's Order Form for PRN Non-Prescription Meds – Criteria for Administration of PRN Non- Prescription Meds	Retain for a minimum of six years for adults and six years after age 19 for minors		
Suspected Adverse Med Reaction Form			
Consultation Reports; Current Medication and/or Treatment; copies of prescriptions, etc.	Retain for a minimum of six years for adults and six years after age 19 for minors.		



Physical Exam. Reports				
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Dental Reports	Retain for a minimum of six years for adults and six years after age 19 for minors.			
Eye Exam Reports				
Psychological Reports				
Medical Safety Plans				
Miscellaneous Medical/Healthcare; Occupational Health Hazard; Therapy Progress Report; Healthcare Delegation Form specific to the individual; etc.				
Allergy and Immunization Records				
Seizure Reports	Retain for a minimum of six years or longer if seizures are infrequent or as requested by a medical practitioner.			
Section IV – Finances/Generic Information				
Releases Three Part Consent Form; Confidential Information Release/ Request Form; HIPAA Privacy Statement; Miscellaneous Release(s)	Retain while the individual is in services and for a minimum of six years after the termination of services.			
Income and Expense Sheets (optional)	Retain for a minimum of seven years.			
Notice of Costs	Retain while the individual is receiving services and for six years after the termination of services.			
Miscellaneous Finance, if applicable SSI; SSA; Health & Human Services; Burial Trusts; insurance information, etc.	Retain for a minimum of seven years (with the exception of the Burial Trust which will be kept until the individual terminates services).			
Contracts	Retain for a minimum of seven years.			
Section V – Social Information				
Intake				
Entry Medical History Form; Intake Summary & Updates; Orientation Checklist	Retain while the individual is receiving services and for six years after the termination of services			
Change of Status				
Miscellaneous				
Guardianship Papers; Advance Directive; raised seal Birth Certificate; Social Security Card; current photo ID, etc.				
Section VI – Correspondence				
Correspondence	Retain for at least one year			



B. FILE SCHEDULE

Section I – Individual:

Individual-centered plans; Individual-centered assessments; personal information and history; communication dictionaries, etc.

FORMAT	RETENTION	
The Emergency Information Sheet will be filed on Therap.	Discard as updated.	
 Career Plan Interview All other career planning information may be kept in the Employment files 	Retain while the individual is in services and for a minimum of six years after the termination of services.	
Daily Routine	Discard as updated	
History Of Skills Acquired	Retain while the individual is in services	
ISP's	Discard as updated	
Positive Behavioral Supports	Retain for six years	
 (Intervention Plans/Safety Plans/Positive Support Programs) & Rights Restrictions 		
Support Programs	Retain for six years	
Staff Objectives	Retain for six years	
Healthcare Staff Objectives & Medical Safety Plans	Retain for six years	
Additional information (such as assessments, releases, etc.) may be kept in the File at ABLED's discretion.		



C. ADMINISTRATIVE FORMS SCHEDULE

FORMAT	RETENTION
 Special Menus & Substitution Lists (CDD's only) 	Retain for six months
 Fire Marshal Certificate of Occupancy Health & Human Services State License 	Discard when updated
Attendance Records/ Intervention Units Reports/ Provision of Services records	
 Area & Regional Meeting Minutes Emergency Evacuation Reporting Form Fire and Tornado Staff Schedules Training In Service Participation Signature 	Retain for six years
 Training/In-service Participation Signature Sheets 	
Staff Evaluations	Retain while employed & for five years after terminations=
Abuse & Neglect Allegations & InvestigationsIncident Reports	Retain while in services & for six years after termination
 Contract-related forms, such as earnings, 90/10 forms, community wage surveys, etc. 	Retain for seven years
All financial records of persons supported by the agency	Retain for seven years while in services and for seven years after date of termination
 CEI Information Formal Complain Information Complaint Mechanism and Appeals State Certification & Licensing Surveys 	Retain forever