



Bureau of Health Statistics and Registries

## **Pennsylvania Statewide Immunization Information System (PA-SIIS) User Agreement and Confidentiality Policy**

PA-SIIS is Pennsylvania's Immunization Registry operated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Health (DOH) that provides secured authentication for users who participate in a Pennsylvania Immunization Program or voluntarily report patient vaccines to the Registry. PA-SIIS is available to all providers other than those facilities that administer vaccines in Philadelphia County. Providers in Philadelphia County report to Philadelphia's Immunization Registry.

To become a PA-SIIS user, you are required to complete a PA-SIIS user account request form. To enroll, you must provide information about yourself and authorize DOH to verify your information by reference to other Commonwealth of Pennsylvania information sources. DOH agrees that it will only use your personal information to authenticate your identity and for administration of PA-SIIS.

To access PA-SIIS, you must accept without modification all terms, conditions and notices contained in this User Agreement and Confidentiality Policy (User Agreement). If you do not accept the terms of use in its entirety, you may not access PA-SIIS.

After acceptance of your signed PA-SIIS user account request, DOH will provide you with a PA-SIIS user identification ID and password (credentials). You are responsible for keeping your PA-SIIS credentials secure. Your PA-SIIS credentials should not be shared or used by anyone other than you. You are responsible for all activities that occur under your PA-SIIS credentials and agree to notify DOH immediately of any unauthorized use of your credentials.

### **MODIFICATION OF THESE TERMS OF USE**

DOH may wish to update or change the User Agreement from time to time to reflect changes in PA-SIIS, including changes in legislation that may affect PA-SIIS. DOH will make reasonable efforts to notify PA-SIIS users of any changes. However, DOH reserves the right to make these changes unilaterally, and your continued access to or use of PA-SIIS shall constitute your consent to such change.

### **NO UNLAWFUL OR PROHIBITED USE**

As a condition of your use of PA-SIIS, you agree that you will not use PA-SIIS for any purpose that is unlawful or contrary to this User Agreement. You also may not use PA-SIIS in any manner that could damage, disable, overburden, or impair PA-SIIS or interfere with any other person's use of PA-SIIS. You may not attempt to gain unauthorized access to any PA-SIIS account, computer systems or networks associated with PA-SIIS. You may not obtain or attempt to obtain any materials or information through any means not intentionally made available or provided to you through PA-SIIS.

### **ACCESS TO AND DISCLOSURE OF PA-SIIS INFORMATION**

All data entered and stored in PA-SIIS is to be held in the strictest confidence. You agree to access only those records for which you fulfill a role in administering immunizations or managing government-provided vaccines inventory. Attempts to access other records is strictly prohibited.

Disclosure to a third party of any confidential personal and health information acquired only through access to PA-SIIS is strictly prohibited. Discovery of inappropriate disclosure will result in termination of your access to PA-SIIS.

## **TERMINATION/ACCESS RESTRICTION**

DOH reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate your access to PA-SIIS or any portion thereof at any time, without notice.

DOH also may terminate or suspend your access to PA-SIIS for inactivity, which is defined as failing to sign into PA-SIIS for an extended period of time as determined by DOH. Upon termination of your account, your right to use PA-SIIS immediately ceases.

## **GENERAL**

These terms of use are governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Nothing contained in this User Agreement is in derogation of the right of DOH to comply with governmental, court and law enforcement requests or requirements related to PA-SIIS or information provided to or gathered by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania related to use of PA-SIIS. You agree to indemnify and hold DOH and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania harmless for any claim, demand, or damage, including reasonable attorneys' fees, asserted by any third party due to or arising out of your use of or conduct in PA-SIIS. If any part of this User Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable pursuant to applicable law, then the invalid or enforceable provision will be deemed superseded by a valid, enforceable provision that most closely matches the intent of the original provision and the remainder of this User Agreement shall continue in effect.