May DVR obtain personal information about me?

(1) DVR may obtain information about you to help us better understand your disabilities, barriers to employment, abilities, interests, and needs for VR services and to coordinate DVR services with the services you receive from other agencies and programs. With your written consent, DVR may obtain this personal information about you from service providers, cooperating agencies, and others. Examples of information DVR commonly obtains with your written consent include your:
   (a) Identity and work status;
   (b) Physical and mental health conditions;
   (c) Disabilities and functional limitations;
   (d) Substance use history and treatment recommendations;
   (e) Educational history;
   (f) Work history; and
   (g) Background check results, including those that are not publicly accessible.

(2) DVR may obtain publicly accessible information about you without your written consent.

(3) DVR may obtain financial and personal information about you from state and federal agencies to verify program participation (including participation in education when appropriate), benefits you receive from other agencies or programs, and earnings and income from employment or self-employment. DVR will only collect such information if the state or federal agencies have legal authority to release it to DVR. This may occur with or without your consent.

(4) If DVR collects information about you from service providers or other agencies, the information will not be released to others without your written consent except under the circumstances identified in WAC 388-891A-0130 (2) and (3).

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