Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your student has the opportunity to register for Truancy Groups provided at Samuel Clemens high school FREE OF CHARGE. These groups are intended to recovery hours for your student to avoid truancy court.

The FREE groups are held once a week from 4:15-5:15 in the Clemens Library. No transportation home will be provided.

The following are required forms that need to be completed in order for your student to participate.

Pages 1-3 are your copies

Pages 4-8: Please complete the highlighted sections.

Please send forms (pages 4-8) back with your student by October 23, 2015. They can turn the forms in to Ms. Zuniga or Ms. Henry in the Blue Office.

Once the forms have been processed, your student will be placed in a Truancy Group for 4 weeks. Any questions about absences, amount of time earned, or truancy court should be directed to your student's Assistant Principal.

The first group meeting will be on the first Monday or Tuesday of the month. Parents/Guardians are required to attend from 4:15p-4:45p. If you cannot make this time please contact me to schedule a time that you are available. This may impact your student's ability to participate in group at this time.

This packet is for Truancy Groups only. If you would like to participate in Family or Individual sessions, please contact me so we can schedule a time for sessions.

Thank you,

Dawn Hensley

S.T.A.R. Program Counselor

Connections: Individual and Family Services

Phone: 210-659-9067

Fax: 210-659-9293

Crisis Hotline: 1-800-532-8192





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Connections Individual and Family Services, Inc. Notice of Privacy Practices Form

This Notice describes how health information about you may be used and disclosed and how you can get access to this information. Please review it carefully. If you have any questions please contact your counselor or our administrative office.

This Notice of Privacy Practices describes how we may use and disclose your protected health information to carry out treatment, payment or health care operations and for other purposes that are permitted or required by law. It also describes your rights to access and control your protected health information. We are required by Federal law to give you this Notice while it is in effect. We reserve the right to change our privacy practices and the terms of this Notice at any time. Before we make significant changes in our privacy practices, we will change this Notice available upon request.

Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information

You will be asked to sign an Acknowledgement Of Receipt Of Privacy Practices. Once you have received your Notice of Practices, disclosure of your protected health information will be used for treatment, payment and health operations. Your protected health information may be used and disclosed by our office staff and others outside of our office that are involved in your care/treatment for the purpose of providing health care services to you. Your protected health information may also be used and disclosed to pay our health care bills and to support the operation of our practice. Following are examples of the types of uses and disclosures of your protected health care information that our office is permitted to make.

<u>Treatment:</u> We will use and disclose your protected health information to other health care providers to provide, coordinate, or manage your health care upon your written consent. For example, your protected health information may be provided to another counseling agency to whom you have been referred to ensure that the necessary information is available to diagnose or to treat you.

<u>Payment:</u> Your protected health information will be used to obtain payment for services we provide to you. This may include activities that your insurance plan may undertake before it approves or pay for the services we recommend or information provided to our funding sources in order to report services provided.

Healthcare Operations: We may use or disclose your protected health information in order to support the business activities of our practice. These activities include, but are not limited to quality assessment activities, employee review activities, licensing and/or credentialing activities, conducting training and conducting other business activities. For example, we may use a sign-in sheet at the registration desk where you will be asked to sign your name. We may also call you by name in the waiting room when your counselor is ready to see you. We may use or disclose your protected health information, as necessary, to contact you to remind you of your appointment or to follow-up on services provided.

Business Associates: We will share your protected health information with third party Business Associates that perform various activities (billing or contract services) for the agency. Whenever an arrangement between our office and a business involves the use or disclosure of your protected health information, we will have written contract terms that will protect your health information.

We may use or disclose your health information about treatment alternatives or other health related benefits and services that may be of interest to you. We may also use and disclose your protected health information for the other marketing activities. For example, your name and address may be used to send a newsletter about our agency and the services we offer. You may contact your counselor or our administrative office to request that these materials not be sent to you.

Uses and Disclosure of Protected Health Information Based upon Your Authorization

Other uses and disclosures of your protected health information will be made only with your written authorization, unless otherwise permitted or required by law as described below. You may revoke this authorization, at any time, in writing, except to the extent that our practice has already taken an action as provided for in the authorization.

Other Permitted and Required Uses and Disclosures That May Be Made With Your Consent, Authorization or Opportunity to Object

We may use and disclose your protected health information in the following instances. You have the opportunity to agree or object to the use or disclosure of all or part of your protected health information. If you are not present or able to agree or object to the use or disclosure of the protected health information, then we may use professional judgment to determine whether the disclosure is in your best interest. In this case, only the protected health information that is relevant to your health care will be disclosed.

Family and Friends: Unless you object, we may disclose to a member of your family, a relative, a close friend or any other person you identify, your protected health information to the extent necessary to help you with your healthcare or with payment of your healthcare. We will also use our professional judgment to make reasonable decisions in your best interest in allowing a person to pick up personal belongings, request for appointments or other similar forms of health information.

Other Permitted and Required Uses Disclosures That May Be Made Without Your Consent

Required By Law: We may use or disclose your protected health information when we are required to do so by law.

Emergencies: We may use or disclose your protected health information in an emergency situation. If this happens, we will try to obtain your Acknowledgement Of Receipt Of Privacy Practice as soon reasonably practicable after the delivery of services: In the event of your incapacity or in an emergency, we will disclose health information based on a determination using our professional judgment disclosing only health information that is directly relevant to the person's involvement in your health care.

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Abuse or Neglect: We may disclose your health information to appropriate authorities if we reasonably believe that you are a possible victim of abuse, neglect or domestic violence or the possible victim of other crimes. We may disclose your health information to the extent necessary to avert a serious threat to your health or safety of others.

Military Activity and National Security: We may disclose to military authorities the health information of Armed Forces personal under certain circumstances. We may disclose to authorized federal officials health information required for law intelligence, counterintelligence and other national security activities. We may disclose to correctional institutions or law enforcements having lawful custody, the protected health information of the inmates or patients under certain circumstances.

Required Uses and Disclosures: Under the law, we must make disclosures to you and when required by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to investigate or determine our compliance.

Your Rights:

You have the right to inspect and copy your protected health information. You have the right to look at or get copies of your health information, with limited exceptions. You may request that we provide copies in a format other than photocopy. We will use the format you request unless we cannot practically do so. You must make the request in writing to obtain access to your health information. You may obtain a form to request access by using the contact information listed at the end of the Notice or by contacting our administrative office. We will charge you a reasonable cost-based fee for expenses such as copies and staff time. You may also request access by sending us a letter to the address at the end of this Notice. If you prefer, we will prepare a summary or an explanation of your health information for a fee.

You have the right to request restriction of your protected health information. You have the right to request that we place additional restrictions on our use or disclosure of your health information. We are not required to agree to these additional restrictions, but if we do, we will abide by agreement, except in an emergency.

You have the right to request alternative communication from us: You have the right to request that we communicate with you about your health information by alternative means or to alternative locations. You must make your request in writing. Your request must specify the alternative means or the location, and provide satisfactorily how communication will be handled under the alternative means or locations you request.

You have the right to request an amendment to your health information. You have the right to request that we amend your health information. Your request must be in writing. The request must explain why the information should be amended. We may deny your request under certain circumstances.

You have the right to receive an accounting of disclosures we have made of your health information. The right applies to disclosures for purposes other than treatment, payment or healthcare operations as described in this Notice. It excludes disclosures we may have made to you, to family members or friends involved in care, or for notification purposes. You have the right to receive specific information regarding these disclosures that occurred after April 14,2003. The right to receive this information is subject to certain exception, restrictions and limitation. If you request this accounting more than once in a 12 month period, we may charge you a reasonable, cost based fee for responding to the additional request.

You have the right to make a complaint about our privacy policies: If you are concerned that we have violated your privacy rights, you may file a complaint with your counselor or our administrative office using the information listed at the bottom of this page. You may file a written complaint with the Department of Human Services. We will provide you with their address upon request.

We will not retaliate against you for making a complaint to either our office or the Department of Health and Human Services.

You have the right to obtain a paper copy of this notice from us, upon request, even if you have agreed to accept this notice electronically.
Effective Date
Counselor/StaffShe?la Dawn Walde LPC-Intern Telephone 830 303 0399
Fax 210 659 9293 Email Chensley@connectionsocoporatit. org
Address: 700 W FM 78 suffe 203 CPLolo, TX 78108
Supervised by & Michelle Dawn Sutter LPC-s

Reorder Call API (830) 624-9000 Form# CIFS 04

CLIENT RIGHTS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE Connections Individual and Family Services, Inc. (dba. Connections)

- Every client shall receive services or appropriate referral without regard to race, color, age, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, religion, national origin or disabling condition (including mental illness.) Clients also have the right to be treated as individuals with varying needs based on cultural, social and religious backgrounds.
- Every client has the right to be treated with dignity and respect, and the right to courteous and professional services.
- Every client has the right to refuse services, treatment, or medication unless law or court order has limited such rights.
- Every client, including youth, shall have the right to seek services on his/her own, and will be treated in the same manner as clients referred by parents or other referring entity.
- Specific information about care or treatment alternatives shall be provided to the client or family upon request.
- Every client shall participate in treatment or service planning to the extent of his/her ability to do so.
- Every client shall be given written information about any fees for service if such fees exist. No client shall be denied services based on the inability to pay. Any client denied services shall receive an explanation for the denial.
- Every client shall be free of physical, sexual, verbal or other abuse and from neglect or exploitation from other clients and from agency staff.
- Every client has the right to privacy and confidentiality. No records or other information regarding the client shall be either released or obtained without specific written permission from the client and/or their parent or guardian. The client shall also be protected even in the event of agency approved tours of facilities.
- Clients will not perform labor or services for the facility unless for therapeutic purposes or to satisfy program requirements stated in the program policy and procedure and approved by the Board of Directors.
- Each client receiving services shall be informed of these rights in writing before receiving services.
- Clients may voice grievances and recommend changes in policy, free from restraint and discrimination. Clients have
 the right to register complaints about any program to the agency or directly to the funding/regulatory agency at any
 time, and also have the right to any available protection and advocacy services in order to receive assistance in
 understanding/exercising the rights described here. All personnel have access to these services and phone numbers.
- It is your right as a client, or the right of your family members or representative, to seek remedy for any grievance based on the care or services you receive from Connections, including any complaints based on any violation of your rights, any instances of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, or any violation of regulatory agency rules.

• If no resolution occurs, the counselor or staff member and the client should take the complaint to the Program Director/Administrator in charge, _Elaine Brandon_, at _830-629-6571_; then to the Executive Director, Kellie Stallings, until a satisfactory solution occurs.

- If no resolution occurs, the compliant will be forwarded to the funding source and/or regulatory agency for the program in question in order to have the case considered and a final decision rendered.
- You have the right to go directly to the funding or regulatory source for any complaint at any time.

The name and address of the funding agency for the STAR Program is:

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services
Attn: _Lisa Canales_, Contract Manager
Mail Code Y-987
P.O. Box 149030
Austin, TX 78714-9030
Tel: (512) 438-4497

- Your Complaint will be documented and acknowledged within 24 hours (72 hours on weekends). A reasonable time frame for final disposition is seven working days.
- Pens, paper, envelopes, postage, access to a telephone and assistance with writing the complaint will be made available to you upon request.

Client Signature	Date
Parent/guardian signature if minor client	Date
Staff Signature	Date

Consent for GROUP Services Connections Individual and Family Services, Inc. (dba Connections)

By signing below you agree that:

- *You have received a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices Form and the Client Rights and Grievance Procedure
- *You agree to consent to provide services to include any of the following: Youth Counseling, Family Counseling, Youth Coping Skills Training, Parent Skills Training, Crisis Intervention. You have been given a copy of the consent that discusses Counseling Techniques, Confidentiality, Exceptions to confidentiality, Financial Agreement, and Hours of Operation.
- *You understand that the Counselor must report the following information to the appropriate authority:
 - Verbal or written threat of suicide or homicide
 - Emotional, physical, or sexual abuse or neglect of a child, elderly, or handicapped person
 - A court order requesting Counselor files

*You agree to allow Connections Counselor	(s) to obtain and release only inform	ation relevant to this clie	nt to the followin
entity: <u>Samuel Clemens</u> H	igh School	. This is effective for up	to 180 days, whic
expires on:(18	0 days from today).		
*You understand that at any time you can as	k for more information or clarificati	on on the above mention	ed items.
Adult/Parent/Guardian	_	Date	
Minor Client		Date	
Counselor		Date	

Client Registration Form for the Services To At-Risk Youth (STAR) Program

(*indicates required field) Intake Initials Staff Initials Intake Date / or *Open Date Data Entry Staff Name **Data Entry Date Target Youth Information** Client ID: *Last Name: *First Name: Middle Name: *Gender: Male Female Suffix: III IV JR SR *Date of Birth: SSN: *Ethnic Group (select only one): Hispanic Unable To Determine Non-Hispanic *Race (select all that apply): Am Indian/Ak Native Black Asian Native Hawaiian/Pacif Isl White Unable To Determine *County Number: *County Name: Colonia (if applicable): *Client Address H=Home & W=Work Address: W H P=Primary & S=Secondary Address: *Address Line 1: *City: *ZIP Code: *State: Telephone Number (with Area Code) P=Land Line & C=Cell Phone H=Home & W=Work Phone/Email P=Primary & S=Secondary Phone/Email 1. C Η W P S 2. **Email Address:** H W P **Target Youth Registration** Registration ID: *Client's Presenting Problem (Select One) a. At Risk Youth or b. Delinquent Behavior: Runaway Truant Family Conflict Misdemeanor Offence State Jail Felony Offence Youth Under 10 Delinguent Offence c. Offence Code: *School Status when Entering Program: Attending Regularly Attending-Some Truancy Suspended Expelled **Dropped Out** Parents Withdrawn Alt. Sch./GED Homebound Graduated High School Completed GED School Not In Session Under School Age Has target youth been homeless in the past 12 months? No Is there an open CPS case? Yes No Is Youth adjudicated or on probation?: Yes No *Referral Source (select one): Self (Youth) Parental Figure Friend/Relative Provider Agency Staff School **Protective Services** Texas Youth/Runaway Hotline Law Enforcement Juvenile Probation Clergy/Church MHMR Other Private Agency Other Youth Service Agency Other Hotline Court Ordered *Where is the youth living at initiation of service? **Emergency Shelter** Living Independently No Stable Liv. Environ. Psychiatric Hospital Relative's Home Secured Facility Detention Ctr. Street Structured Substitute Care Trans. From Other Shelter | Unstructured Substitute Care (Friends, etc.) with Biological or Adoptive Parents with Legal Guardian *1. The family earns under \$63,000.00 per year. Yes No *2. The child lives with or has lived with a parent or relative sometime in the past six months. Yes *3. The crisis did not occur because a family member refused employment or training for employment. Yes No Family Housing: Own Rent Homeless | Temporary Shelter | Temporary with Relatives/Friends Shared Housing with Relatives/Friends Primary Language Spoken in the Home: English Spanish | Vietnamese | Others **Contributing Factors:** 1. Severe Family Conflict 3. Youth's Assaultive Behavior 2. Violence in Family 4. Youth's Problems w/Juvenile Justice 5. Youth's Drug/Alcohol Abuse 6. Youth has Suicidal Thoughts 7. Youth Attempted Suicide in Past 8. Past Victim of Child Abuse 9. School Problems 10. None Apply

Info about PARENT/GUARDIAN

evas Department of Family and Protective Services

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Division Form 2075A September 2014

P	Client ID:									
*Last Name: *First Name:					Middle Name:					
*Date of Birth:	SSN:		*Gender: Male	Female	Suffix: II III IV JR SR					
Education Level: Pre-K,	Kinder (Kinder	1 st Grade	2 nd Grade	3 rd Grade	4 th Grade 5 th Grade					
6 th Grade 7 th Gr	ade	8 th Grade	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade 12 th Grade					
Did Not Graduate Gradu	ated H.S./GED	Some College	College	Post Graduate	Unknown					
*Relationship to Target Youth:	*Relationship to Target Youth: Aunt Brother Father Female Cousin Foster Father									
Foster Mother Grandfather Grandmother Male Cousin Mother Other, Non-Related										
Other, Related Sister Step Father Uncle										
*Marital Status Code: CH=Child	l, Not Applicable	DI=Divorced	SE=Separated	MA=Married	SI=Single, Never MA					
UK=Unknown WI=Wid	owed	_		_						
*Ethnic Group (select only one):	Hispanic Un	able To Determine	Non-Hispanic							
*Race (select all that apply): Ar	n Indian/Ak Native	Asian Black	Native Hawaiian/Pa	acif Isl White	Unable To Determine					
Client Address - Same as Target Yo	uth? Yes	No If No, complete	the County, Address,	Phone Number a	and Email Address sections below.					
County Number:	County Name:			Colonia	(if applicable):					
*Client Address	H=Home & W=\	Work Address: H	· W	P=Prima	ary & S=Secondary Address: P S					
*Address line 1:		*City:		*State:	*ZIP Code:					
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*Date of Birth:	SSN:		*Gender: Male	Female	Suffix:					
	/Kinder	1 Grade	2 nd Grade	3 rd Grade	4 th Grade 5 th Grade					
6 th Grade 7 th G		8 th Grade	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade 12 th Grade					
Did Not Graduate Grad	uated H.S./GED	Some College	College	Post Graduate	Unknown					
*Relationship to Target Youth:	Aunt	Brother	Father	Female Cousir	Foster Father					
Foster Mother	Grandfather	Grandmother	Male Cousin	Mother	Other, Non-Related					
Other, Related	Sister	Step Father	Step Mother	Uncle						
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Permissions (select all that app	ly): Messag	ges may be left on m	y voice mail.	Mail may be s	ent to my home.					
Email may be sent to me. Agency staff (besides counselors) may contact me.										
Required Signature										
I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is true and correct, and I authorize services.										
Printed Name of Parent or Leg	al Guardian	Signature	of Parent or Legal G	iuardian	Date					

Prevention and Early	Intervention Protecti	ve Fa	ctor S	urve	y for (Careg	ivers		
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PRE TEST ☐ POST TEST ☐ PEIS Client ID#							20,7250		
Caregiver First Name	24	Caregiver Last Name:							
Caregiver DOB:		Tod	ay's Da	te:					
Is this family member an expectan	t parent with no other childrer	n in the	home?		Yes [□ No	οП		
Has this family member completed	d the program?				Yes [□ No	ıΠ		
Thank you for taking the time to fill the questions, please answer in your family. Please answer honestly. The If you have any questions about one skip a question. Part I. Please circle the number that represent a scale from 1 to 7 where emeans that the statement is true about	own opinion or experience instead re are no right or wrong answers of the statements or the answers describes how often the statements of the numbers represents a	ad of tryi s. er scale, ents are	ng to an ask one	swer for e of the	progran	nembers n staff.	of your Please of	do not	
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1. In my family, we talk about problen	ns.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
2. When we argue, my family listens	to "both sides of the story."	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
3. In my family, we take time to listen	to each other.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
4. My family pulls together when thing	gs are stressful.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
5. My family is able to solve our prob	lems.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Part II. Please circle the number that	at best describes how much you	agree o	r disagre	e with ti	he state	ment.			
		Strongly Disagree	Mostly Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neutral	Slightly Agree	Mostly Agree	Strongly Agree	
6. I have others who will listen when problems.	I need to talk about my	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
7. When I am lonely, there are seven	al people I can talk to.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
8. I would have no idea where to turn housing.	n if my family needed food or	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
9. I wouldn't know where to go for he meet.	elp if I had trouble making ends	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
10. If there is a crisis, I have others I	can talk to.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
11. If I needed help finding a job, I w help.	ouldn't know where to go for	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

Prevention and Early Intervention Protective Factor Survey for Caregivers

Part III. This part of the survey asks about parenting and your relationship with your child. For this section, please focus on the child that you hope will benefit most from your participation in our services.

Please write the child's age or date of birth and then answ	ver questions with this child in mind.
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Child's Age _____ or DOB ___ /__ /

If you are expecting your first baby and there are no more children in your home, STOP here.

	Strongly Disagree	Mostly Disagree	Slightly Disagree	Neutral	Slightly Agree	Mostly Agree	Strongly Agree
12. There are many times when I don't know what to do as a parent.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
13. I know how to help my child learn.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
14. My child misbehaves just to upset me.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Part IV. Please tell us how often each of the following happens in your family.

		Never	Very Rarely	Rarely	About Half the Time	Frequently	Very Frequently	Always
15.	I praise my child when he/she behaves well.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
16.	When I discipline my child, I lose control.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
17.	I am happy being with my child.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
18.	My child and I are very close to each other.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
19.	I am able to soothe my child when he/she is upset.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
20.	I spend time with my child doing what he/she likes to do.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7