

## Your Choices about Sharing Your Family's Data/Information with PaCT

### What is EastPoint PaCT ("Promise and Choice Together")?

EastPoint PaCT is a group of community partners like Eastside Promise, SAHA, SAISD, Goodwill, and others working to make sure that eastside families have good schools, safe and long-term housing, good jobs and careers, good health care, and a safe neighborhood. You can find more information about the PaCT community partners here: <http://nowdata.cinow.info/communityviewer/>.

### What is this form and why are you asking me to fill it out?

This form is how you choose whether or not to allow PaCT partners to share different kinds of information about your family members with each other or with funders. Sharing information makes it easier for partners to provide good services and allows funders to tell whether services are making a difference.

### What information would PaCT be collecting and sharing?

Information like name, date of birth, sex, race/ethnicity, address, what partners your family is working with, how your child is doing in school, and what service needs your family has.

### Is it safe to share my information?

Yes, your information will be held in a computer database called CommunityViewer with very strong protections around it. The only people who will see the data are those who need it to do their job.

### Can I choose NOT to share my child's and my information?

Yes. It is totally your choice whether to share information with PaCT partners or funders.

### Can I (or my child) still get PaCT services if I say no?

You (or your child) won't be denied services just because you choose not to allow information to be shared. But sharing it would help partners and funders to a better job of serving you and your neighborhood.

### Will PaCT sell the information to others?

PaCT *will never sell information* to anyone. No one will ever use your data to try to sell you something.

### What are my information sharing choices?

- **Choice #1 - let PaCT use the person's data to run group reports, without ever seeing any one person**  
Example: 67% of African-American male 8<sup>th</sup> graders passed the STAAR test
- **Choice #2 - let PaCT community partners see the data of the person they're working with**  
Example: John Smith, 6/11/2001, Male, African-American, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Passed STAAR, 90% Attendance
- **Choice #3 - let PaCT funders see this person's "de-identified" data**  
Example: ID8131, 2001, Male, African-American, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Passed STAAR, 90% Attendance
- **Choice #4 - let PaCT funders see this person's identified data**  
Example: John Smith, 6/11/2001, Male, African-American, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Passed STAAR, 90% Attendance

### FERPA Law on Student Data

The *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)* law gives you control over whether your child's protected education information is shared by your child's school district. When you make the choices below and signing the form, you are using your rights under FERPA law and PaCT's own rules.

### Can I change my choices later?

Yes, you can change your choices at any time by calling Eastside Promise Neighborhood/Dual Generation staff Sebastian Schreiner at 210-352-7142.

