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**To:** All ACCES-VR Staff

**Date:** April 1, 2016

**From:** Frank Coco

**Subject:** New [VR-32](#) Authorization to Obtain or Release Confidential HIV/AIDS Related Information and New FAQ Added to HIV TAB

This memorandum is intended to inform you of updates as it relates to HIV. The HIV Technical Assistance Brief now includes a Questions & Answers section that addresses the questions raised during the July 2015 HIV TAB Training. Also, the HIV Release (VR-30) and Disclosure Form (VR-31) have been replaced and discontinued. Both of these forms have been combined into one new release form. Effective immediately, the new [VR-32 Authorization to Obtain or Release Confidential HIV/AIDS Related Information](#) replaces both of these forms.

The following web pages in the VR Policy Manual have been revised to reflect these changes:

- 102.00P Confidentiality Procedure – on page 4, removed reference to the VR-30/VR-31, and replaced it with the [VR-32](#).
- VR Services for Individuals Living with HIV/AIDS Technical Assistance Brief
  - On page 6 - the VR-30/VR-31 have been removed and replaced with the [VR-32](#).
  - On page 7 - the section **Frequently Asked Questions** has been added.

**Reference:**

- 102.00 Confidentiality Policy and Procedure
- 202.00 Referral and Application for Services Policy
- Rehabilitation Act:
  - Sections 2(a); 7(22)A and B; 101(a)(9); 102(a)3
- Federal Statutes:
  - Public Health Service Act, 42 USC Sections 290ee-3 and 290dd-3; The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20USC Section 1232g
- Federal Regulations:
  - 34 CFR Part 99 and Section 361.38; 42 CFR Part 2
- State Statutes:
  - Education Law Section 1007; Public Health Law, Article 27-F; Mental Hygiene Law

- State Regulations:
  - 8 NYCRR 247.4

**Effective:** Immediately

**Obsolete:**

- VR-30: Authorization for Release of Confidential HIV-Related Information
- VR-31: Disclosure of HIV/AIDS Related Information
- Memo on ACCES-VR Release Forms dated 9/22/03

**Inquiries:**

- Any questions concerning this memorandum should be addressed to the Resource Development Unit at 518-474-1626.