

## Part 3: Clinical Audiologist & Educational Team Collaboration; Releases of Information; Sharing Children's Clinical and Educational Information; Frequently Asked Questions

## 1. Who can release clinical audiology records to school districts?

Individual clinics have established internal systems, processes, and records departments for release of clinical audiology records to school districts. A suggested process for Clinical Audiologists to obtain parent consent/Releases of Information (ROIs) for sharing clinical audiology records with school districts at the time of initial referral is outlined in "Obtaining Parent's/Guardian's Permission to Release Information (ROIs), Sharing Clinical Audiology Reports when Referring Young Children Through Help Me Grow MN; Spring 2021 Pilot Process, Revised February 2022".

## 2. How can educational information be shared back with the Clinical Audiologist?

 Designated member of the child's IFSP/IEP team, such as the Educational Audiologist, Service Coordinator (for infants and toddlers), or the Case Manager (for preschoolers) can obtain parent consent through a district "Release of Information" form to share private educational information with the Clinical Audiologist.

## 3. How can Clinical Audiologists find out who the Educational Audiologist is for a child?

- It has been suggested to Educational Audiologists who are on a child's IFSP/IEP team that, with parent consent, they reach out to the child's Clinical Audiologist and identify himself/herself as a member of the child's educational team for ongoing collaboration and information sharing.
- A contact list of MN Educational Audiologists and the school districts they serve is posted at Minnesota Educational Audiologists.

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