

# Privacy Rights Guide for Survivors

A guide to protect your personally identifiable information.



## Stay safe.

If you need assistance because of concerns for your safety or other immediate needs, please tell us how we can help.



## Your rights.



## Our obligations.



## Your consent.

Whenever possible, and for most services, you decide which information can be shared with who and when.



## Find services.

We can help you connect with external services and support and will only share your identifying information with your consent.



## Stay involved.

With the help of support services, you can play an active role in staying safe, protecting your personal information, and seeking relief.



## Get help.

### What is consent?

- ✓ Voluntary: You are not forced or coerced. You give permission at your discretion.
- ✓ Written: Your approval should be documented and signed by you as proof you consent. Under some circumstances, a verbal consent can be valid.
- ✓ Informed: You may ask questions until you understand exactly what you are consenting to.
- ✓ Editable: You can change or withdraw your consent for future disclosures at any time and for any reason.

### Some services require information that can identify you, and some don't.

#### *May need your info:*

legal representation, economic assistance, health services.

#### *Don't need your info:*

general orientation about gender-based violence, contacts for organizations that provide services, general information on legal rights for survivors of violence.

### State-based guides can be found at the National Crime Victim Law Institute

<https://ncvli.org/know-your-rights-quicktool/>

