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ALAN CARLSON, Clerk of the Court

BY: D. WATSON, DEPUTY 

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF ORANGE
SITTING AS THE JUVENILE COURT
MISCELLANEOUS ORDER – 751.2

TITLE: **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SHARING OF INFORMATION AMONG THE ORANGE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY – CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, THE ORANGE COUNTY HEALTH CARE AGENCY, THE ORANGE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT, THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AND THE ORANGEWOOD CHILDREN’S FOUNDATION.**

TO: DIRECTOR: ORANGE COUNTY HEALTH CARE AGENCY
DIRECTOR: ORANGE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY
CHIEF: ORANGE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT
DIRECTOR: ORANGEWOOD CHILDREN’S FOUNDATION
SUPERINTENDENT: ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

THE COURT FINDS that many minors who are dependents or delinquent wards of the Court are unaware or unprepared for higher education after reaching the age of majority. The Orangewood Children’s Foundation has initiated programs to seek out dependent and/or delinquent youth early in their high school years and encourage pursuit of higher education. The Orangewood Children’s Foundation has many programs of scholarship and financial assistance available for dependent and/or delinquent wards in pursuit of higher education. To outreach and involve youth in these programs and best serve youth in foster care, the Orangewood Children’s Foundation must work with County

1 agencies to make contact with youth and care providers as well as share pertinent
2 information for case planning.

3 Collaborative efforts by Orangewood Foundation, Orange County Social Services
4 Agency, Orange County Probation Department and Orange County Department of
5 Education in concert with information provided by the Health Care Agency regarding
6 emancipation planning for youth with matters before the Juvenile Court, will increase the
7 likelihood of successful post-secondary education transitions for dependent and/or
8 delinquent wards.

9 Section 18986.46 of the Welfare and Institutions Code allows members of children's
10 multidisciplinary services teams to share information relevant to the creation of an integrated
11 services plan and to the delivery of services to children and their families, so long as the
12 minor or his/her legal representative consents to such sharing. Section 18986.46(e) of the
13 Welfare and Institutions Code provides the Court the power to consent to the sharing of
14 relevant information among members of a child's multidisciplinary services team, regarding
15 children before the Juvenile Court.

16 **FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that,
17 pursuant to the aforementioned Code Sections, the Court hereby consents to, and
18 authorizes the sharing of all relevant information and records, including but not limited to
19 educational and developmental records, regarding dependents, delinquent wards and/or
20 former dependents now under Probation supervision, for the purpose of emancipation
21 planning and enhancing the likelihood of successful post-secondary education transitions
22 for dependent and/or delinquent youth among:

- 23 • Orange County Department of Education
- 24 • Orange County Health Care Agency
- 25 • Orange County Social Services Agency
- 26 • Orange County Probation Department
- 27 • Orangewood Children's Foundation


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1 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that each member of any of these agencies who receive
2 information or records about children and families shall be under the same privacy and
3 confidentiality obligations and subject to the same confidentiality penalties as the team
4 member disclosing or providing information or records. The information or records obtained
5 shall be maintained in the manner prescribed by law, which ensures the maximum
6 protection of privacy and confidentiality rights.

7 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Order in no way abrogates the
8 patient/psychotherapist privilege.

9 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement and
10 federal and state laws and regulations, Orangewood Children's Foundation will ensure the
11 confidentiality of information obtained in the course of conducting the study and the
12 protection of the subjects of the study.

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14 Dated this 9TH day of AUGUST, 2011.

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18 Douglas J. Hatchimonji
19 Presiding Judge of Juvenile Court

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