

Sec. 17b-461-7. Access to records, authority of the department and assistance by public or private agencies

(a) Any person, department, agency or commission authorized to carry out the duties enumerated in Chapter 319dd inclusive of the Connecticut General Statutes shall have access to all relevant records, except that records which are confidential to an elderly person shall only be divulged with the written consent of the elderly person or his/her representative. The authority of the Department under Section 17b-454 of the Connecticut General Statutes, shall include, but not be limited to, the right to initiate or otherwise take those actions necessary to assure the health, safety and welfare of any elderly person, subject to any specific requirement for individual consent.

(b) In performing the duties set forth in Chapter 319dd of the Connecticut General Statutes, the department may request the assistance of the staffs and resources of all appropriate state departments, agencies and commissions and local health directors, and may utilize any other public or private agencies, groups or individuals who are appropriate and who may be available.

(Effective October 2, 1991; Transferred and Amended June 10, 1998)