

# Use Case: DCPS Absenteeism to Pediatricians

#### Overview

School Absenteeism has been shown to correlate with general health and well being of a student. Pediatricians have expressed interest in knowing whether their patients have experienced high rates of absenteeism, both excused and unexcused..

Dr. Brian Jacobs reiterated the importance of such data to practicing pediatricians for their care delivery.

Notably, parental consent is required by FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act), although once obtained is good for the duration of the child's tenure in the Public School System. DCPS will send a file of all students flagging those that have provided consent. CRISP will not manage obtaining consent itself in any way.

Dr. Schumacher is requesting Approval for a pilot with a few DC Public Schools. Dr. Robie engaged the Clinical Committee in the discussion. Dr. Mohigmi asked whether payors might also receive such notifications for their members. Dr. Schumacher will investigate whether such dissemination is allowed.

### Permitted Purpose Category

For care coordination as defined in HIPAA as a subset of health care operations activities (Permitted Purpose #3).

### Use Case Description

Dr. Heidi Schumacher, Medical Director for the DC Public School System, explained the Use Case in which a Pediatrician will receive a file or notification when his/her patients (students) has a high rate of absenteeism. She noted that absenteeism, both excused and unexcused, were included in the file that DCPS would provide to CRISP.

# Opt-Out Applicability

Any patient that opts out of CRISP will not have their data made available for quality improvement activities.

# Eligible Participants

Pilot schools will submit their file to CRISP, with absentee data relayed to a few pilot Pediatricians.

# Approval

This Use Case Policy has been approved by the Clinical Advisory Board.

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