

**IF RECEIVING SSI or SSDI BENEFITS – DO NOT FILL OUT**

**HOUSING SERVICES MID MICHIGAN**

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**SECTION 8 MAINSTREAM VOUCHER PROGRAM**

**REQUEST FOR VERIFICATION OF HANDICAP OR DISABILITY**

(Issued under Section 8 of the U.S. Housing (program) Act of 1937,  
Failure to comply could result in the termination of benefits.)

**LICENSED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL AUTHORIZATION:**

You are authorized to release information concerning my handicap or disability to Housing Services Mid Michigan.

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Patient's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Federal law gives special consideration to a person or family of a person who is handicapped or disabled in order to be eligible to receive federally aided housing. For the purpose of qualifying for such special consideration at least one of the heads of the household must:

- A. be unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determined physical or mental impairment which can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months; or
- B. in the case of an individual who is 55 years of age and is blind, be unable by reason of blindness to engage in substantial gainful activity requiring skills or abilities comparable to those of any gainful activity in which he has previously engaged with some regularity and over a substantial period of time; or
- C. be a handicapped person which is defined as a person having a physical or mental impairment which:
  1. is expected to be of a long-continued and indefinite duration, and
  2. substantially impedes the ability to live independently, and
  3. is of such a nature that such ability could be improved by more suitable housing conditions.
- D. be developmentally disabled which means a severe, chronic disability of a person which:
  1. is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments; and
  2. is manifested before the person is 22; and
  3. is likely to continue indefinitely; and
  4. results in substantial functional limitation in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: self-care, receptive and expressive language, learning, ability, self-direction, capacity for independent living, and economic self-sufficiency, and reflects the persons need for a combination and sequence of special interdisciplinary, or generic care, treatment, or other services which are of life-long or extended duration and are individually planed and coordinated.

