Request for Information (RFI):

DDH Compact Data System DDH Compact Commission 3/11/2025

1. RFI Overview

The DDH Compact Commission is in need of a data system to operationalize the DDH Compact. In preparation, the DDH Compact Commission is seeking information about what technology solutions may currently exist and what information might be needed from potential vendors in any subsequent Request for Proposals.

Please note that this Request for Information (RFI) is for informational purposes only, and no contract will be awarded as a result. A firm or organization's response to the RFI—or lack thereof—will have no impact on the evaluation of responses if any subsequent Request for Proposals (RFP) released. Responses will be used solely for information and planning purposes.

Please note that all responses will be public record. **Do not submit confidential information in your response**.

1.1. RFI Contact

We have designated the following individual to serve as the official point of contact for this RFI on behalf of the DDH Compact Commission.

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1.2. Submission Details

Please submit your responses to this RFI via email to the RFI point of contact before the due date identified in Section 1.3. When submitting your response, please include the email subject line "RFI DDH Compact Data System." Information provided should total no more than 5 pages. Respondents may include additional attachments with their response document.

If you have any questions about this RFI, please direct them to the RFI contact during the appropriate period identified below in Section 1.3.

1.3. RFI Timeline

Please review the below RFI timeline. Dates may be modified or amended by the DDH Compact Commission, which will post an amendment to this RFI notifying prospective respondents of any change.

RFI Released: 3/11/25

Deadline for Questions: 4/22/25

• Responses Due: 5/5/25

2. Background Information

2.1. Goals and Outcomes

The DDH Compact Commission is responsible for the development, operations, and maintenance of a shared data system between compact member states. The data system will be responsible for exchanging information on licensee eligibility and disciplinary information as well as facilitating the issuance of compact authorizations to practice. The DDH Compact Commission is seeking information about available component solutions that may leverage existing data sets and/or software technology to meet the needs of a compact data system as well as information that might be helpful in constructing a prospective RFP for the data system. See Appendix 4.2: Section 8. Data System.

2.2. Background

The DDH Compact is an occupational licensure compact that facilitates multi-state practice among dentists and dental hygienists. States join the compact by enacting the DDH Compact model legislation. The DDH Compact reached its activation threshold of 7 states in 2024 and has since convened the DDH Compact Commission to operationalize the compact. The Compact Commission is a joint government agency comprised of the compact member states that is responsible for the administration of the compact. The compact data system is a foundational component of compact operationalization and is defined further in the model compact legislation.

3. Information Requested

3.1. Who We're Looking For:

The DDH Compact Commission is especially interested in hearing feedback on this proposed project from other licensure compact commissions and vendors familiar with providing technology solutions to government agencies.

3.2. What We're Looking For:

Respondents are invited to provide information on the following subjects of interest the DDH Compact Commission. Information provided should total no more than 5 pages. Respondents may include additional attachments with their response document. The questions below are optional, RFI responses will be accepted if any of the following questions are answered:

- Provide relevant background information about your organization and prior work experience or products you offer related to our needs.
- How are licensure boards currently exchanging data?
- What existing data sets should the compact commission consider leveraging for its system?
- What innovative strategies have you or your organization seen other state or compact commissions employ to create a joint government data system?
- What information would be helpful to your organization to include in any subsequent Request for Proposals?

4. Appendix

4.1 <u>DDH Compact Links</u>

DDH Compact Legislation: https://ddhcompact.org/2023/11/21/dentist-and-dental-hygienist-compact-model-legislation/

DDH Compact Website: https://ddhcompact.org/

4.2 Section 8. Data System from DDH Compact Legislation Model Language

SECTION 8. DATA SYSTEM

- A. The Commission shall provide for the development, maintenance, operation, and utilization of a coordinated database and reporting system containing licensure, Adverse Action, and the presence of Significant Investigative Information on all Licensees and applicants for a License in Participating States.
- B. Notwithstanding any other provision of State law to the contrary, a Participating State shall submit a uniform data set to the Data System on all individuals to whom this Compact is applicable as required by the Rules of the Commission, including:

- 1. Identifying information;
- 2. Licensure data;
- 3. Adverse Actions against a Licensee, License applicant or Compact Privilege and information related thereto;
- 4. Non-confidential information related to Alternative Program participation, the beginning and ending dates of such participation, and other information related to such participation;
- 5. Any denial of an application for licensure, and the reason(s) for such denial, (excluding the reporting of any criminal history record information where prohibited by law);
- 6. The presence of Significant Investigative Information; and
- 7. Other information that may facilitate the administration of this Compact or the protection of the public, as determined by the Rules of the Commission.
- C. The records and information provided to a Participating State pursuant to this Compact or through the Data System, when certified by the Commission or an agent thereof, shall constitute the authenticated business records of the Commission, and shall be entitled to any associated hearsay exception in any relevant judicial, quasi-judicial or administrative proceedings in a Participating State.
- D. Significant Investigative Information pertaining to a Licensee in any Participating State will only be available to other Participating States.
- E. It is the responsibility of the Participating States to monitor the database to determine whether Adverse Action has been taken against a Licensee or License applicant. Adverse Action information pertaining to a Licensee or License applicant in any Participating State will be available to any other Participating State.
- F. Participating States contributing information to the Data System may designate information that may not be shared with the public without the express permission of the contributing State.
- G. Any information submitted to the Data System that is subsequently expunged pursuant to federal law or the laws of the Participating State contributing the information shall be removed from the Data System.