



Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022

2022 CHAPTER 32

PART 2

PREVENTION, INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION OF CRIME

CHAPTER 1

FUNCTIONS RELATING TO SERIOUS VIOLENCE

Exercise of functions

16 Disclosure of information

- (1) A person listed in subsection (2) may disclose information that it holds for the purposes of its functions to another person listed in that subsection for the purposes of the exercise by the other person of its functions under or in accordance with this Chapter.
- (2) Those persons are—
 - (a) a specified authority;
 - (b) a local policing body;
 - (c) an educational authority;
 - (d) a prison authority;
 - (e) a youth custody authority.
- (3) A disclosure of information authorised by this section does not breach—
 - (a) any obligation of confidence owed by the person making the disclosure, or
 - (b) any other restriction on the disclosure of information (however imposed).
- (4) But this section does not authorise—
 - (a) the disclosure of patient information,

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- (b) the disclosure of personal information by a specified authority which is a health or social care authority,
 - (c) a disclosure of information that would contravene the data protection legislation (but in determining whether a disclosure would do so, the power conferred by this section is to be taken into account), or
 - (d) a disclosure of information that is prohibited by any of Parts 1 to 7 or Chapter 1 of Part 9 of the Investigatory Powers Act 2016.
- (5) Subsection (6) applies if—
- (a) a disclosure of information under this section is also permitted by regulations under section 6(2) of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 or by section 115 of that Act (but is not also a disclosure under section 17A of that Act), and
 - (b) a condition or limitation applies to a disclosure under those regulations or section 115 of that Act by virtue of such regulations.
- (6) The condition or limitation does not apply to the disclosure of information under this section.
- (7) This section does not otherwise affect any power to disclose information apart from this section.

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 16 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 208\(1\)](#)
- I2** [S. 16](#) in force at 31.1.2023 by [S.I. 2022/1227](#), [reg. 4\(h\)](#)

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