

PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (PIA)

System Name: K4Health

Managing Office: Overseas Programming and Training Support (OPATS)

Is this a new or substantially revised electronic information system? If revised, describe revisions.

The USAID/K4Health project is a new information system hosted by USAID/K4Health on their server. Peace Corps is sponsoring the site as a potential training tool for Peace Corps' Volunteers.

If any question does not apply, state not applicable (N/A) for each question and explain why.

I. Describe the information to be collected (e.g., nature and source). Be sure to include any information in an identifiable form, e.g., name, address, social security number or other identifying number or code, telephone number, email address, etc).

Members of the general public will be able to access the USAID/K4Health web portal as anonymous users. Those who wish to share information on the site must create an account.

Those who create accounts will need to create a username during which process they will be required to provide a valid e-mail address and to identify the country in which they are interested. No other Personally Identifiable Information is collected.

II. Why is the information being collected (e.g., to determine eligibility)?

Information collected from all new account registrants is used to authenticate user accounts for the portal entries. Login credentials are only required for posting content and participating in discussions. Only the username is ever displayed.

III. How will the information be used (e.g., to verify existing data)?

Information collected from all new account registrants will be used to authenticate user accounts for the portal entries. E-mail addresses are only used for validation of account during registration process and for the forgotten password function.

IV. Will you share the information with others (e.g., another agency for a programmatic purpose)? If yes, list the entities.

The information is never sold or shared with any other organization. The site offers a voluntary option to each user, to share information among other users who wish to network through online forums and other technical information sharing venues.

V. Describe what opportunities individuals have been given to decline to provide information or to consent to particular use of the information (e.g., whether individual may withhold permission for a particular use).

This is a completely voluntary pilot program available to those that deem it beneficial to their work/projects in the Peace Corps.

VI. How will the information be secured (e.g., administrative and technological controls)?

Only a designated system administrator will have access to participants' information. Secure socket layer encryption using 128 bit encryption with secure certificate is in place. The datacenter is Statement on Auditing Standards No. 70 (SAS 70) Type II certified (December 10, 2008) ensuring that the company's documented internal controls meet the stringent requirement of the audit.

VII. How will the data be retrieved (e.g., will it be retrieved by a personal identifier such as name, social security number, address, telephone number or some other identifier that is unique to an individual)? Will a System of Record Notice be created under the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a?

The purpose of the website K4Health is to capture and share health information and best practices between health industry practitioners around the world. Information about persons is not retrieved or shared.

From Johns Hopkins – “We do not retrieve any data on individuals from any sources. We store only the information voluntarily provided by users so that we can provide the information requested by return email. We have not created a system of record notice as we are not a U.S. Government Agency and do not collect any information beyond what users voluntarily provide.”