

What Providers Need to Know About Illinois FRO

Quick Facts & Guidance for Clinicians

A Firearm Restraining Order (FRO) is a court order used to temporarily remove firearms from someone who is considered to be a potential danger to themselves or others. If issued, the respondent cannot legally possess or purchase firearms, ammunition, and firearm parts. The individual's Firearm Owners Identification (FOID) card or Conceal and Carry (CCL) License are also suspended for that duration of time.



Building Firearm Violence Prevention & FRO Guidance Into Your Clinical Workflow

Health care providers **CANNOT**

- ✗ Petition for a FRO on behalf of or for a patient.

Health care providers **CAN**

- ✓ Work with the petitioner to support them through the process, including helping to complete the necessary form.
- ✓ If the petitioner is using a lawyer, you can volunteer to speak with the lawyer in support of the case.
- ✓ To assist with the petitioning process, you can refer the family to a social worker or case manager who can provide ongoing support as they work through the steps of requesting a FRO.



Using the FRO Toolkit for Providers

Get key information on how to talk to families about:

- > **What** a FRO is/what a FRO does
- > **Where** and how to obtain a FRO
- > **Who** can petition for a FRO
- > **Additional Firearm Safety Resources**



Download the FRO Toolkit
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