

Scenario:

You are a health information professional with assigned duty to checking on electronic medical records (or EMR) of patients. You look at a record of a patient who happened to be your close friend's husband. He is having HIV infection. You know for sure that your friend does not know about his illness.



- **What should you do?**
- **As a health information professional – can you tell your friend?**
- **Can you interfere with other people or family issue?**
- **But, should your friend not know about this because she might be at risk?**
- **How will you follow the fundamental principles about right to self-determination, doing good and doing no harm to others?**
- **Isn't it your obligation and the right of the subject to hold the information?**