Storytelling Ethics Checklist

- ✓ Did someone meet with the participant to discuss the pros and cons of contributing her story?
- ✓ Does the participant understand how her story will be shared?
- ✓ Is there any part of her story she doesn't want to share?
- ✓ Can this story negatively impact this participant now or in the future?
- ✓ Do any of the words used reinforce stigma or shame about the situation or background?
- ✓ Do the photos and video reveal any surroundings or images that should not be shared (i.e., license plates, background faces, street addresses)?
- ✓ Is the photo appealing and absent of any content imagery that might be perceived as pejorative (like an ashtray in the background, or something messy or broken?)
- ✓ Is the release form signed for participant, child and county worker?
- ✓ Do I have participant contact information for follow-up questions?

