State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families



CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

Connecticut General Statutes §17a-28(b) states:

"... records maintained by [DCF] shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed... Any unauthorized disclosure shall be punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both."

Connecticut General Statutes §17a-101k states:

- "...The information contained in the [Central R]egistry and any other information relative to child abuse, wherever located, shall be confidential..."
- "...Any violation of this section or the regulations adopted by the commissioner under this section shall be punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or imprisonment for not more than one year."

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (August 21), Public Law 104-91 requires:

"HIPAA seeks to safeguard the privacy and security of health information (oral, written or recorded in any form) that relates to either the physical or mental health or condition of an individual, the provision of health care to an individual, or the payment for health care provided to an individual..."

"As a business associate, the licensed family resource must comply with all terms and conditions of the HIPAA provisions."

In accordance with the above statutes, I agree that I will not disclose confidential information, including health information, about children in the care of DCF and their families which may come to my attention to anyone other than DCF staff unless authorized in writing to do so.

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of this Confidentiality Agreement and the HIPAA provisions.

Name (Please print)	<u> </u>
Signature	Date
Witness (Please print)	
Signature	

Each member of the household age 18 years and older must sign a separate Confidentiality Agreement.