

**WAC 388-829R-155 Are client records considered confidential?**

The overnight planned respite services provider must consider all client information privileged and confidential.

(1) Any transfer or inspection of records to parties other than DSHS must be authorized by DDA or through a release of information form that:

(a) Includes a specific description of the records the client consents to be released; and

(b) Is signed by the client or the client's legal representative.

(2) A signed release of information is valid for up to one year and must be renewed annually from the signature date.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 71A.12.030, 71A.12.120, and 2015 3rd sp.s. c 4. WSR 16-17-003, § 388-829R-155, filed 8/4/16, effective 9/4/16.]