

WAC 388-61A-1075 What must you provide to clients about their right to confidentiality? (1) You must provide each client with a written "notice of rights" at the time of the initial intake and any subsequent intake into the domestic violence program. At a minimum, the notice of rights must inform clients of the following:

(a) The client's right to privacy and confidentiality of the information shared with the domestic violence program;

(b) Exceptions to confidentiality as described in this chapter;

(c) That if the client signs a written waiver of confidentiality that allows their information to be shared with others, the client does not give up their right to have that information protected under other statutes, rules, or laws;

(d) That the client has the right to withdraw a written waiver of confidentiality at any time; and

(e) That the domestic violence program will not condition the provision of services to the client based on a requirement that the client sign one or more releases of confidential information.

(2) Information on the "notice of rights" must be explained to the client at the time of intake into the domestic violence program and then again at the time the client is considering whether to sign a written waiver of confidentiality.

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