



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



20.9.122 CONFIDENTIALITY OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND RECORDS

- (1) Meetings of a youth placement committee shall be closed to the public to protect the youth's right to individual privacy.
- (2) Information presented to the committee about a youth and committee records are confidential and may not be disclosed to persons other than:
 - (a) committee members;
 - (b) department employees;
 - (c) the district or youth court judge with jurisdiction over the youth;
 - (d) the youth's parents, guardians or custodians;
 - (e) the county attorney;
 - (f) the youth's attorney;
 - (g) the youth's probation officer; or
 - (h) the youth care facility or juvenile correctional facility where the youth is placed.
- (3) Information such as psychiatric reports, child abuse or neglect reports, or police reports containing confidential information may not be disclosed to any parties named in those reports unless authorized by order of the district or youth court judge.
- (4) Recordings or records of committee deliberations used by the department for monitoring or audit purposes may not be disclosed to persons outside of the department or youth court unless such disclosure is authorized by order of the district or youth court judge.

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Implementing statute(s): 41-5-123, 41-5-124 and 41-5-125, MCA

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