

125.37 Records confidential.

1. The registration and other records of facilities shall remain confidential and are privileged to the patient.

2. Notwithstanding [subsection 1](#), the director may make available information from patients' records for purposes of research into the causes and treatment of substance abuse. Information under [this subsection](#) shall not be published in a way that discloses patients' names or other identifying information.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of [subsection 1](#), a patient's records may be disclosed only under any of the following circumstances:

a. To medical personnel in a medical emergency with or without the patient's consent.

b. For purposes of care coordination as defined in section [135D.2](#) if not otherwise restricted by federal law or regulation.

[C75, 77, §125.20, 224B.23; C79, 81, §125.37]

[2016 Acts, ch 1055, §1, 3, 4, 6](#)

Referred to in [§125.3](#), [§125.7](#), [§125.93](#)

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