

228.7A Disclosures to law enforcement professionals.

1. Mental health information relating to an individual may be disclosed by a mental health professional, at the minimum consistent with applicable laws and standards of ethical conduct, to a law enforcement professional if all of the following apply:

a. The disclosure is made in good faith.

b. The disclosure is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to the health or safety of the individual or to a clearly identifiable victim or victims.

c. The individual has the apparent intent and ability to carry out the threat.

2. A mental health professional shall not be held criminally or civilly liable for failure to disclose mental health information relating to an individual to a law enforcement professional except in circumstances where the individual has communicated to the mental health professional an imminent threat of physical violence against the individual's self or against a clearly identifiable victim or victims.

3. A mental health professional discharges the professional's duty to disclose pursuant to [subsection 1](#) by making reasonable efforts to communicate the threat to a law enforcement professional.

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