

**81.8 Confidential records.**

1. A DNA record shall be considered a confidential record and disclosure of a DNA record is only authorized pursuant to [this section](#).

2. Confidential DNA records under [this section](#) may be released to the following agencies for law enforcement identification purposes:

a. Any criminal or juvenile justice agency as defined in [section 692.1](#).

b. Any criminal or juvenile justice agency in another jurisdiction that meets the definition of a criminal or juvenile justice agency as defined in [section 692.1](#).

3. The division of criminal investigation shall share the DNA record information with the appropriate federal agencies for use in a national DNA database.

4. A DNA record or other forensic information developed pursuant to [this chapter](#) may be released for use in a criminal or juvenile delinquency proceeding in which the state is a party and where the DNA record or forensic information is relevant and material to the subject of the proceeding. Such a record or information may become part of a public transcript or other public recording of such a proceeding.

5. A DNA record or other forensic information may be released pursuant to a court order for criminal defense purposes to a defendant, who shall have access to DNA samples and DNA profiles related to the case in which the defendant is charged.

[2005 Acts, ch 158, §8, 19](#)