

**495—17.11(17A,22) Consensual disclosure of confidential records.**

**17.11(1)** *Consent to disclosure by a subject individual.* The subject may consent in writing to disclosure of confidential records as provided in rule 495—17.7(97B).

**17.11(2)** *Complaints to public officials.* A letter from a subject of a confidential record to a public official which seeks the official's intervention on behalf of the subject in a matter that involves a record under the jurisdiction of the agency may be treated as an authorization to release sufficient information about the subject to the official to resolve the matter. The public official shall be required to treat the information received as confidential.

**17.11(3)** *Obtaining information from a third party.* The agency may be required to obtain information to coordinate benefits, verify applicant and employee information or to provide other services. Requests to third parties for this information may involve the release of confidential identifying information about individuals contained in records under the jurisdiction of the agency. Such requests are within the meaning of routine use as defined in rule 495—17.10(97B) and shall not require authorization from the subject of the record.