

495—17.15(17A,22) Other groups of records routinely available for public inspection. This rule describes groups of records maintained by the agency other than those record systems retrieved by personally identifiable information as defined in rule 495—17.1(97B). These records are routinely available to the public subject to costs. However, these records may contain confidential information. In addition, the records listed in subrules 17.15(1) to 17.15(4), 17.15(6), and 17.15(9) may contain information about individuals. All records may be stored on paper, microfilm, tape or in automated data processing systems unless otherwise noted.

17.15(1) Rule-making records. Rule-making records may identify individuals making written or oral comments on proposed rules. This information is collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.4. Public documents generated during the promulgation of agency rules, including notices and public comments, are available for public inspection. This information is not retrieved by individual identifier.

17.15(2) Board and committee records. Agendas, minutes, and materials presented to the board and committee within the agency are available from the agency except those records concerning closed sessions which are exempt from disclosure under Iowa Code section 21.5(4) or which are otherwise confidential by law. These records may identify individuals who participate in meetings. This information is collected pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.3. This information is not retrieved by individual identifier.

17.15(3) Publications. News releases, annual reports, final project reports, newsletters, and brochures describing various programs are available from the agency. These publications may contain information about individuals, including staff or members of the board or committee. This information is not retrieved by individual identifier.

17.15(4) Statistical reports. Periodic reports of activity for various department programs are available from the department. This information is not retrieved by individual identifier.

17.15(5) Appeal decisions and advisory opinions. All final orders, decisions and opinions are open to the public except for information that is confidential according to rule 495—17.5(97B) or subrule 17.13(2). These records, collected under the authority of Iowa Code chapters 97B and 97C, may contain confidential information about individuals.

17.15(6) Published materials. The agency uses many legal and technical publications in its work. The public may inspect these publications upon request. Some of these materials may be protected by copyright laws. This information is not retrieved by individual identifier.

17.15(7) Policy manuals. The agency's manuals containing the policies and procedures for programs administered by the agency are available at IPERS' headquarters. This information is not retrieved by individual identifier.

17.15(8) Administrative records. These are records related to the budgets of the agency, the requisition of equipment and supplies, the payment of claims, and other accounting functions as well as records kept by the investments section, including information on investment policies and portfolios. Some investment information is partially confidential under Iowa Code sections 22.7 and 97B.17.

17.15(9) All other records not exempted from disclosure by law.