

Teens, Privacy, and Health: What you need to know

1. You have the right to be treated with respect regardless of race, skin color, place where you were born, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, ability, immigration status, financial status, health status or parental status.
2. At this health center, you have the right to talk to your provider alone, without your parent or guardian in the room. We may encourage you to share what we talk about with a parent/legal guardian or a trusted adult.
3. You have the right for private information you share with our health center staff to remain confidential and not be shared without your permission (giving consent) except for in the cases listed below:
 - You tell us or we suspect that an adult is hurting you.
 - You tell us that you want to hurt yourself.
 - You tell us you want to hurt someone else.
 - You tell our staff or we suspect that you have had sexual contact against your will.
4. According to Wisconsin law, you may receive the following services without the permission of a parent or legal guardian:
 - Pregnancy testing, prenatal care, and pregnancy services
 - Birth control information and contraceptives
 - Testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections (ages 14 and older; HIV included)
 - If you are 12 or older: substance abuse treatment under 72 hours
5. You have the right to have your options for care explained to you.
6. You have the right to review your health center records.
7. If you have questions about your rights or feel you have been mistreated, please inform the health center staff.

*Some insurance plans may mail information about your visit to your house.
Talk to your provider if you are using your family's insurance and want confidential care.
If you are concerned about the confidentiality of your medical record, discuss this with your provider.*

Note to health centers utilizing this poster/handout: Do not post unless your site has reviewed all points and feels confident you can ensure that they are all true for your staff and providers' practices and policies. If you feel your practices are consistent with the points on this document, post with pride in lobby and exam rooms.