

RCW 26.44.189 Child forensic interview peer reviews—

Confidentiality agreements. (1) Statewide and regional peer review of child forensic interviews serve as quality assurance mechanisms that reinforce the methodologies utilized in child forensic interviewing and provide support and problem solving for participants.

(2) Child forensic interview recordings of closed cases may be used as part of a structured and confidential peer review, if hosted by an accredited or developing children's advocacy center or the children's advocacy centers of Washington. Any information reviewed or discussed during the peer review process is and must remain confidential and must not be disclosed except where authorized under state or federal law. The hosting organization's policies regarding interview selection criteria and parent, guardian, or caregiver consent must be followed. All participants in a peer review must sign a confidentiality agreement that:

(a) Prohibits verbal or written disclosure of any information received in any peer review process; and

(b) Requires disclosure of any personal, professional, or social acquaintance with anyone associated with the case before attending a peer review session. [2025 c 75 s 3.]

Findings—2025 c 75: See note following RCW 26.44.020.