

OMCCF follows current Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs) regarding minor client's rights (clients age 14-17). Initial documentation can assist us with following the regulations during the initial intake or assessment for OMCCF outpatient services.

Many adolescents have privacy concerns related to confidentiality in their mental health treatment. These privacy concerns can influence:

- whether adolescents seek treatment
- when adolescents seek treatment
- where adolescents seek treatment
- how openly adolescents talk with their provider

The rationale for respecting adolescent's privacy concerns of confidentiality can mean an increased willingness to disclose sensitive information and a greater chance that young people can access the right services at the right time. Additionally, protecting consent and confidentiality for adolescents supports better treatment-related communication with parents, guardians, and other adults.

This means that the client (age 14-17) can access services independently and is legally responsible for completing the informed consent documents; initials for each statement outlined and signing at the bottom.

We encourage that client's (age 14-17) complete the General use Release of Information (ROI) for their Parents/guardian's as their involvement is expected in the process. Both the client and parent/guardians can also complete all the documents together if that is in the best interest of the client.

The client (age 14-17) and/or the parent/guardian can sign the financial agreement form dependent on their responses based on who has those means or will be liable for those charges related to services.

For questions regarding any of the documents listed, please contact our intake coordinator.