

**CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT FOR THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FATALITY REVIEW PROCESS
December 18, 2009**

The purpose of the domestic violence fatality review (DVFR) process is to improve our community's response to domestic violence and to reduce the number of fatalities related to domestic violence. The process is intended to improve communication between public and private organizations and agencies; determine factors associated with domestic violence fatalities; identify ways in which community response might have intervened to prevent a fatality; provide accurate information about domestic violence to the community; and generate recommendations for improving community response to and prevention of domestic violence.

The definitions of domestic violence fatalities and required membership on the DVFR Team have been defined by the Oregon State Legislature, and written protocols have been adopted by the team member agencies. In accordance with ORS 418.714, “an individual who is a member of an organization or agency that is represented on a fatality review team is not required to disclose information. The intent of this section and ORS 418.718 is to allow the voluntary disclosure of information.”

With these considerations in mind, I the undersigned, as a representative of the listed agency agree that all information secured in this review will remain confidential and will not be used for purposes outside the purview of the review process, and to witness the signatures of others on this sheet.

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