

## **Confidentiality of Foster Caregiver Identity**

## **SUMMIT COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES**

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	☐ Human Resources			<ul><li>□ Legal</li><li>□ Safety &amp; Security</li><li>□ Social Services - All Departments</li><li>☑ Social Services - Foster &amp; Adoption</li></ul>	
All	Staff ⊠	Bargaining Unit □	١	Non-Bargaining $\square$	Management □

## **POLICY:**

Summit County Children Services (SCCS) will assure confidentiality of foster caregiver's identity with the birth family and friends of children placed in the foster home.

## PROCEDURE:

SCCS staff will not release the identity of a foster caregiver to the birth family or friends of a child placed with the foster caregiver without the permission of the foster parent. It is recommended that the child's caseworker discuss the foster parent's comfort with release of identity regularly throughout the case as the foster caregiver's decision on the release of their identity may change as they know the child's family and friends.