

- (b) (1) On its own motion or on petition, and for good cause shown, the court:
- (i) May order the court records of a child sealed; and
 - (ii) Shall order them sealed after the child has reached the age of 21.

(2) If sealed, the court records of a child may not be opened, for any purpose, except by order of the court on good cause shown.

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(a) (1) A police record concerning a child is confidential and shall be maintained separate from those of adults. Its contents may not be divulged, by subpoena or otherwise, except by order of the court upon good cause shown or as otherwise provided in § 7-303 of the Education Article.

(2) This subsection does not prohibit:

(i) Access to and confidential use of the record by the Department of Juvenile Services or in the investigation and prosecution of the child by any law enforcement agency; ~~or~~

(II) ACCESS TO AND CONFIDENTIAL USE OF THE RECORD BY A ~~LOCAL~~ THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

1. IF THE ~~LOCAL~~ BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS PROVIDING TREATMENT OR CARE TO A CHILD WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF THE RECORD, FOR A PURPOSE RELEVANT TO THE PROVISION OF THE TREATMENT OR CARE; OR

2. IF THE RECORD CONCERNS A ~~CHILD~~ VICTIM OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE, AS DEFINED IN § 14-101 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE, WHO IS A CHILD RESIDING IN BALTIMORE CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS AND POLICIES AIMED AT REDUCING VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN IN BALTIMORE CITY; OR

[(ii)] (III) A law enforcement agency of the State or of a political subdivision of the State, the Department of Juvenile Services, or the criminal justice information system from including in the law enforcement computer information system information about an outstanding juvenile court ordered writ of attachment, for the sole purpose of apprehending a child named in the writ.

(3) (I) THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHALL BE LIABLE FOR THE UNAUTHORIZED RELEASE OF A POLICE RECORD UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

(II) WITHIN 180 DAYS AFTER THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ACCESSES A POLICE RECORD UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FROM WHICH THE RECORD WAS RECEIVED DETAILING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE RECORD WAS USED.