## CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT FOR FGDM FOR \_\_\_\_\_FAMILY

DATE OF DEFENDAL	TO FAMILY OROUR DECICION MAICING	
DATE OF REFERRAL	TO FAMILY GROUP DECISION MAKING	

The following FGDM participants have had this Confidentiality Agreement and the following provisions reviewed with them and understand the protections set out below:

- 1. No statements, discussions or reports made throughout the course of the FGDM process can be used in evidence in any civil court action **except** if a child was or could be harmed or a person says s/he may harm themselves or someone else, or if consent is given. Consent is only for that person.
- 2. None of the participants, including the coordinator and CAS can be made to give evidence about anything from the FGDM meeting, including the reports, (except the family's plan) in any court action.
- 3. The family can still talk amongst themselves about FGDM, about the plan itself or carrying it out.
- 4. The family's plan from the FGDM meeting may be shared with a court and any lawyers for any of the participants, including for the child, if appropriate. If the family group wants the plan sent to anyone not able to be present at the meeting, they should include this in the plan.
- 5. The participants of family group decision making may discuss this confidentiality agreement or anything about FGDM with their lawyer.
- 6. The participants at the meeting day give the FGDM coordinator permission to use information from the meeting for research or educational purposes as long as no one can be identified.
- 7. Any participant may decide to withdraw from the FGDM process at any time; however, this does not necessarily mean the FGDM will be cancelled. The rest of the family group may decide to proceed.

I have read or have had these confidentiality provisions read to me and I understand the contents:

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