

Ohio Revised Code Section 4758.31 Conduct of investigations.

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The chemical dependency professionals board shall investigate alleged violations of this chapter or the rules adopted under it and alleged irregularities in the delivery of chemical dependency counseling services, prevention services, or gambling disorder counseling services by individuals who hold a license, certificate, or endorsement issued under this chapter. As part of an investigation, the board may issue subpoenas, examine witnesses, and administer oaths.

The board may receive any information necessary to conduct an investigation under this section that has been obtained in accordance with federal laws and regulations. If the board is investigating the provision of chemical dependency counseling services or gambling disorder counseling services to a couple or group, it is not necessary for both members of the couple or all members of the group to consent to the release of information relevant to the investigation.

The board shall ensure, in accordance with rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code, that all records it holds pertaining to an investigation remain confidential during the investigation. After the investigation, the records are public records except as otherwise provided by federal or state law.