



# Practice Points

## EXPUNGEMENT OF FAMILY ASSESSMENTS

The purpose of this Practice Point is to clarify expungement requirements for Family Assessments that have been concluded “Inappropriate Report”. Per the Children’s Division Policy, Family Assessments are retained indefinitely, even if they have been concluded an inappropriate report. These records will not appear on an expungement list. If an investigation has been concluded “Inappropriate Report”, it is to be destroyed immediately.

For more information on the expungement of records and the Expungement Timeframes Grid, review the Child Welfare Manual at:

<http://dss.mo.gov/cd/info/cwmanual/section5/ch4/sec5ch4sub1.htm#n411>

Please share this Practice Point to all staff who has the responsibility of expunging records.

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