

# Confidentiality protocol

Confidentiality is the cornerstone of a trusting mentoring relationship. The checklist below should assist in identifying which confidentiality protocols you want to adopt for the mentoring relationship.

| Which of the following assumptions about confidentiality do you hold?   | Yes                                 | No                       | Not sure                 |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| What we discuss stays between us for the life of the program.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We can freely disclose what we talk about in our conversations with other people.                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| After the program has ended, it is OK to talk about what we discussed or how we related.                          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| If there is a demonstrated need to know, we can appropriately disclose our conversations, impressions etc.        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| What we say between us stays there unless we give specific permission to each other to talk about it with others. | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Some issues will be kept confidential while others will not.  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| It is OK to discuss how we relate to one another but not the content of our discussions.                          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| It is OK to talk about what we talk about as long as it is positive.  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other assumptions to be tested:   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |