Appendix 9 – Deidentification of Patient Records for submission as evidence

Records submitted with your application for accreditation must be de-identified to maintain the confidentiality of your patients. De-identified records must contain sufficient information to demonstrate that the required data has been collected.

There are a number of ways in which records can be appropriately de-identified.

The recommended method of de-identification is to obliterate part of each identifier, but not so much as to make it impossible to see that the information was there. This can be done with correction fluid/tape or a marker pen, as demonstrated below:

Name – [redacted]e [redacted]y
Date of Birth – 2[redacted]2
Address – [redacted]n Rd, [redacted]R 3[redacted]
Medicare Number – 3[redacted]20[redacted]