Confidentiality

See these sections of the South Carolina Code. These sections outline health care that minors can consent to without their parent’s consent.

Also attached are the Attorney General’s opinions 3364 and 4291.

From http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/title63.php

SECTION 63-5-340. Minor’s consent to health services.

Any minor who has reached the age of sixteen years may consent to any health services from a person authorized by law to render the particular health service for himself and the consent of no other person shall be necessary unless such involves an operation which shall be performed only if such is essential to the health or life of such child in the opinion of the performing physician and a consultant physician if one is available.

HISTORY: 2008 Act No. 361, Section 2.

SECTION 63-5-350. Health services to minors without parental consent.

Health services of any kind may be rendered to minors of any age without the consent of a parent or legal guardian when, in the judgment of a person authorized by law to render a particular health service, such services are deemed necessary unless such involves an operation which shall be performed only if such is essential to the health or life of such child in the opinion of the performing physician and a consultant physician if one is available.

HISTORY: 2008 Act No. 361, Section 2.

SECTION 63-5-360. Minor parent consent to health services for child.

Any minor who has been married or has borne a child may consent to health services for the child.

HISTORY: 2008 Act No. 361, Section 2.