



OFFICE OF RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE  
**TOP 10 RULE CITATIONS**  
**JULY 1, 2011 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**  
 RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CHILD PLACING AGENCIES  
 CHAPTER 290-9-2

TITLE AND RULE #	TAG #	RULE	TIMES CITED
Foster Care Services. Prior to Placement. <b>290-9-2-.07(6)(d)</b>	841	The Agency shall discuss the prospective foster placement with the foster family and shall prepare the foster family for the placement of a particular child by anticipating the adjustments and problems that may arise during placement and any specialized services to be provided. This discussion shall be documented in the case record.	9
Foster Care Services. During Placement. <b>290-9-2-.07(7)(a)2.</b>	847	The involvement of the child, foster parent, Agency representative and, when appropriate the legal custody holder, shall be documented in the case plan.	7
Foster Care Services. Minimum Requirements. <b>290-9-2-.07(5)(a)9.(ii)</b>	826	[The foster home study report shall] include at least the following: ... 9. Home and community: ... (ii) Physical standards of the home, including: (I) Space and sleeping arrangements, such that (II) Only bedrooms are used as sleeping space for children, ... (III) A maximum of two (2) children sleep in a double or larger bed, and only if they are of the same sex and under 5 years of age, (IV) No child over one (1) year of age sleeps in a room with an adult, (V) Children over three (3) years of age of different sexes do not share a bedroom, and (VI) Children sleep in a bedroom with adequate space for clothing and personal possessions, ... (VII) The home is maintained in a condition to ensure the health and safety of children, (VIII) Hazardous items are not accessible to children, (IX) A statement as to whether or not there are firearms kept in the home and if so, all firearms owned and in the home are locked away from children, (X) A statement as to whether or not there is a swimming pool on the premises, and if a swimming pool is present at the home, it is fenced with a locked gate to prevent	6

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		unsupervised access and it meets all applicable community ordinances, (XI) Each level of the home is equipped with a functional smoke alarm, (XII) Water supply and sewage disposal systems which, if other than public systems, have been approved by appropriate authorities, (XIII) Domestic pets owned or residing with the family have been inoculated against rabies as required by law, and (IVX) Gas heaters are vented to avoid fire and health hazards, with any un-vented, fuel-fired heaters equipped with oxygen depletion safety shut-off systems. ...	
Agency Policies and Procedures for Services. <b>290-9-2-.05(7)</b>	525	Agency practices shall conform to the written policies.	6
Foster Care Services. Minimum Requirements. <b>290-9-2-.07(5)(a)3.</b>	819	[The foster home study report shall] include at least the following: ... 3. A description of family members, including: (i) Date and place of birth; (ii) Physical description; (iii) Family background and history; (iv) Current relationships with immediate and extended family members; (v) Education; (vi) Social involvements; (vii) Personal characteristics; (I) Personality; (II) Interests and hobbies; and (III) Emotional stability; ...	6
Foster Care Services. Minimum Requirements. <b>290-9-2-.07(5)(a)6.</b>	822	[The foster home study report shall] include at least the following: ... 6. Physical and mental health: (i) Health history and condition of family members; (ii) Documentation of a physical examination of the foster parent applicants completed by a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or a registered nurse with advanced training working under the direction of a physician, or the public health department, within 12 months prior to the completion of the home study; (iii) A statement from a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or public health department regarding the general health status of other members of the prospective adoptive family, obtained within the 12 months prior to the completion of the home study; (iv) Evaluation of emotional and mental health status of each member of the prospective foster family; and	6

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		(v) Screening for tuberculosis and venereal disease for prospective foster parent(s) and children 16 years of age and older living in the prospective foster home;	
Foster Care Services. Prior to Placement. <b>290-9-2-.07(6)(a)</b>	837	Services Prior to Foster Care Placement. The selection of a foster home for a particular child shall be based on an assessment of the child's total needs and how well a particular home can meet the child's needs.	6
Composition of the Board. <b>290-9-2-.03(9)(d)</b>	322	Provision shall be made for removal of inactive Board members.	4
Foster Care Services. Minimum Requirements. <b>290-9-2-.07(5)(a)7</b>	823	[The foster home study report shall] include at least the following: ... 7. Understanding of and adjustment to foster parenting: (i) Understanding of the role of a foster parent and the issues in caring for foster children; (ii) Foster family's attitude toward the parent(s) of the foster children including parental visits in their home; (iii) Expectations of the foster child, including intellectual and physical achievement; (iv) Anticipated adjustment of each foster family member to a foster child; (v) Willingness to cooperate with the placement agency; and (vi) Support network in place for the foster family, including support systems for single parent families, if applicable; ...	4
Foster Care Services. During Placement. <b>290-9-2-.07(7)(b)4.</b>	851	The case plan shall include, but not be limited to: ... 4. Statements of time-limited goals and objectives for the child and family and methods of achieving them and evaluating them, and: (i) Designation of responsibility for carrying out objectives with child, birth parent(s), foster parent(s), and Agency representative; (ii) A method for evaluating and changing goals as needed; ...	4