# Bulletin

January 2, 2008

Minnesota Department of Human Services ☐ P.O. Box 64941 ☐ St. Paul, MN 55164-0941

#### **OF INTEREST TO**

- · county directors
- social services supervisors and staff
- tribal social services directors and staff
- county attorneys
- tribal attorneys
- private foster care agencies

#### **ACTION/DUE DATE**

For your review.

#### **EXPIRATION DATE**

January 2010

# DHS Announces Procedures for Emergency Relative Foster Care Placements

#### **TOPIC**

Emergency relative placement procedures.

#### **PURPOSE**

To guide county and tribal social services agencies that use emergency relative foster care procedures to place a child immediately with an unlicensed relative.

#### **CONTACTS**

Foster Care Licensing: Karen W. Erickson, supervisor (651) 296-2588, <u>karen.w.erickson@state.mn.us.</u>

**Background Studies:** 

(651) 296-3802, DHS.AWbackgroundstudy@state.mn.us

**Emergency Relative Placements:** 

Deborah Beske Brown, program consultant (651) 431-4731, deborah.beske.brown@state.mn.us

**SIGNED** 

CHARLES E. JOHNSON

Assistant Commissioner Children and Family Services TIM WILKIN Assistant Commissioner

**Operations** 

#### **Unlicensed Emergency Relative Placement Procedures and Requirements**

Under Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 245A, county social services agencies may not place a child in unlicensed foster care. An exception to this is for emergency relative placements. Minnesota Statutes, section 245A.035 provides a process for suitable relatives to immediately receive related children for emergency placement until they are licensed.

County social services agencies responsible for placement of children may make unlicensed emergency relative placements in the following circumstances:

- 1. when the child is on a law enforcement hold (assisting law enforcement regarding where to place the child);
- 2. when the agency has care and placement responsibility through a Voluntary Placement Agreement; or
- 3. when the child is in protective care under the legal responsibility of the agency pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 260C. 178, or the agency has legal custody of the child pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 260C.201;
- 4. when the child is under the jurisdiction of juvenile court regarding a probation violation or delinquency, and the child is taken into custody pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 260B.198 to address placement.

When the social services agency has placement and care responsibility, an individualized determination must be made to select a foster care placement that best meets the child's needs under Minnesota Statutes, section 260C.193, subdivision 3; section 260C.201, subdivision 1; or section 260C.212, subdivision 2. **For all foster care placements, relatives are to be given first consideration for placement.** Relatives include persons related by blood, marriage, adoption or with whom the child has previously lived or had a significant relationship. In addition, Minnesota Statutes, section 260C.007, subdivision 27, requires that, for an Indian child, a relative includes members of the child's extended family as defined by the child's tribe.

When the county social services agency has child placement and care responsibility through a Voluntary Placement Agreement or court order, the child is considered to be in foster care. When a child is in foster care, all Minnesota foster care requirements apply, whether the home is licensed or whether the home is an emergency placement, even when the home will not accept payment for care. [45 CFR 1355.20 and Minnesota Statutes, section 260C.007, subdivision 18]

#### **Prior to Placement: Making the Placement Decision**

The county social services agency considering emergency placement of a child with a relative may obtain criminal history, and history of maltreatment of children or adults, from locally available sources to aid them in determining, in part and on a preliminary basis, whether the child will be safe in the home of the relative. [Minnesota Statutes, section 260C.209] If the county agency chooses to access criminal records available through local sources, they may:

- use any source that is available to the public, such as records of criminal convictions in state/district court using the court's information system, and any public law enforcement data
- obtain signed consents from the relative to access criminal history items that are not available to the public.

When criminal records are reviewed as part of an emergency placement process, the review will be done by the county social services agency. It does not take the place of an Adam Walsh background check that must be completed by DHS prior to licensure. The preliminary review should be considered an initial screening for possible criminal or social service history that would be part of an immediate assessment of whether placing the child in the household would endanger their health, safety, or welfare, and to assess the suitability of the relative to care for the child. A preliminary screening by the county social services agency does not determine disqualification for licensure, but may be used for assessment purposes to determine placement decisions.

#### **Initial Inspection of the Relative's Home**

The county social services agency responsible for the child's emergency placement must conduct an initial inspection of the relative's home. When possible, this inspection must occur prior to placing the child in the relative's home, but no later than three working days after the child is placed in the home.

During the initial home visit with the relative, the home safety checklist (DHS 0644) must be completed to ensure the health and safety of the child. In addition, the relative must be informed that the Application for Child Placement (DHS 4258a or SSIS 170), and other necessary paperwork, is to be completed within 10 calendar days of the child's emergency placement and sent to the county social services agency in the relative's county of residence, or a private foster care licensing agency.

#### **Relative Foster Care License Application**

After the licensing agency receives the application from the relative, it must initiate a background study through NETstudy, obtains fingerprint cards, and sends these cards to DHS.

The relative would submit the following to the licensing agency to complete the application:

- Application for Child Placement (DHS 4258a or SSIS 170) Attachment A
- Home Safety Checklist (DHS 0644) Attachment B
- initial background study information, see Minnesota Statutes, section 245C.05, subdivision 1.
- classifiable finger prints on finger print cards provided by DHS
- notice of privacy practices—county's form.

The notice of privacy practices relates to the use and sharing of data gathered during a licensing/background study, and outlines the right to appeal when a prospective license holder believes their privacy rights have been violated.

If the county social services agency responsible for placing the child in the relative's home and the county social services agency where the relative lives are different, the two counties should communicate and develop an agreement about which agency:

- gives the notice of privacy practices and fingerprint cards to the relative
- provides initial training and support to the relative, and
- ensures that the child's safety and well-being issues are addressed.

It is essential for a child's placement stability that when two different county social services agencies are involved, they each communicate to the relative foster parent their respective role regarding placement, support, training, and related licensing duties.

#### Supporting the Child's Safety and Placement Stability

The county social services agency responsible for the child's emergency placement in the relative's home should:

- remove a child from the emergency relative placement if a determination is made that anyone in the relative's home requiring a background study for licensure is disqualified under Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 245C, and the disqualification cannot be set aside by the commissioner, or if the relative fails to cooperate with the agency to complete the licensing process.
- support the relative with regular contact during the first 10 days of placement to ensure that the relative completes the foster care application, fingerprint cards, and returns them to the licensing agency.
- share all information gathered at the initial emergency relative home inspection with the county social services agency in the relative's county of residence or the private agency licensing the home as soon as possible.

#### **Completing the Foster Care License for a Relative Placement**

The county social services agency in the relative's county of residence, or a private foster care agency, completes the foster care license process with the relative, including:

- Minnesota Statutes, section 245C.03 requires a background study for all adults applying for a foster care license, and individuals over age 13 living in the home. Background studies must be conducted on other individuals listed in Minnesota Statutes, section 245C.03, when applicable. The county agency submits the background study information using NETStudy, the Web-based application used to submit background studies and receive results online. The licensing agency would always be the one to submit and receive the background study information from NETStudy.
- the home study is completed according to the requirements of Minnesota Rules, part 2960.3060.
- the agency licensing the emergency relative home may also determine that additional inspections or information may be necessary to be consistent with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 245A, 245C and Minnesota Rules, Chapter 2960.

The agency responsible for licensing the relative's home should communicate to the county social services agency responsible for the child's emergency placement the following licensing activities:

- receipt of the foster care application, fingerprint cards, necessary paperwork, and initiation of NETstudy
- completion of the relative's home study assessment and licensing recommendations, including information about correction orders or approved variances
- verification that the home is licensed by sending a copy of the license and home study assessment.

Relatives accepting a child for foster care placement are required to cooperate with the licensing process. If the relative fails to cooperate and complete the licensing process, the agency cannot verify that the child is safe and is required to remove them from the home.

The DHS Web site includes a list of all licensed foster homes in Minnesota. The county social services agency responsible for the child's emergency placement in the relative home can use the Web site to confirm licensure. The list is updated weekly at: http://licensinglookup.dhs.state.mn.us/

Minnesota Rules, part 2960.3070, requires that the relative foster parents receive orientation within 30 days of placement. The information provided to the relative foster parents includes:

- emergency procedures
- relevant laws and rules
- understanding of cultural diversity
- roles and responsibilities of a foster parent
- requirements of the licensing agency.

#### **Payment for Emergency Relative Foster Care Placements**

Relatives must receive foster care payments from the first day of foster care placement, whether licensed or an emergency relative placement. The placing agency would determine the foster care payment rate using maintenance standards and difficulty of care rates, according to Minnesota Rules, parts 9560.0650 to 9560.0656.

Minnesota Rules, part 9560.0665 provides notice to the foster parent of the rate determination as well as the appeal procedures if a request for foster care payment is denied. The written notice provides information about how to request a fair hearing.

Minnesota Statutes, section 256.045 gives the right to a state administrative hearing to "any person whose claim for foster care payment according to a placement of a child resulting from a child protection assessment under Minnesota Statutes, section 626.556 is denied or not acted upon with reasonable promptness regardless of the funding source."

#### **Ouestions**

For questions about emergency placement decisions, general policies, and need for obtaining a license, contact Deborah Beske-Brown at <a href="deborah.beske.brown@state.mn.us">deborah.beske.brown@state.mn.us</a>.

For questions about general foster care licensing requirements, contact Mary Kelsey at: mary.kelsey@state.mn.us.

For questions about background study policies, procedures, requirements, contact: <a href="mailto:DHS.AWbackgroundstudy@state.mn.us">DHS.AWbackgroundstudy@state.mn.us</a>.

For questions about using the NETstudy for online submission of information, such as passwords, the system not accepting information, etc., go to: <a href="mailto:DHS.NETstudyAdmin@state.mn.us">DHS.NETstudyAdmin@state.mn.us</a>.

#### **Special Needs**

This information is available in other forms to persons with disabilities by calling (651) 431-4671, or contact us through the Minnesota Relay Service at 1 (800) 627-3529 (TTY) or 1 (877) 627-3848 (speech-to-speech relay service).

#### Attachment A



## **Application For Child Placement**

AGENCY					
TYPE OF APPLICATION:	APPLYING FOR:				
☐ New application ☐ Ren	newal/update 🗀 Foster/adop	t Foster	☐ Trea	tment 🗀 Adopt	
TYPE OF CHILD YOU ARE INTERESTED IN:					
☐ Male ☐ Female ☐	Either Age Range		☐ Sibling group		
		For Internatio	nal adoption on	ly, indicate specific country or	
Specific child	Now on his deal of the	area requested .	-		
Applicant – Contact ir	nformation				
Applicant #1		Applicant #2			
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		NAME (LAST, FIRST, A	MIDDLE)		
E-MAIL ADDRESS		E-MAIL ADDRESS			
CONTRACTOR		CODUCT NAME OF			
FORMER NAMES		FORMER NAMES			
PAGER OR CELL PHONE NUMBER	WORK PHONE NUMBER	PAGER OR CELL PHO	NE NUMBER	WORK PHONE NUMBER	
HOME ADDRESS				HOME PHONE NUMBER	
СПҮ			STATE	ZIP CODE	
DIRECTIONS TO HOME FROM AGENCY			II		
EMERGENCY CONTACT		RELATIONSHIP TO YO	OU		
	Management and the second seco				
TELEPHONE NUMBER	If no phone,	how can you be co	ontacted?		
Household – Identify		1.	1 1 22		
List all adults and children (not	t including foster children) livi	ng or working in t	ne nome (if more	than six people, add another sheet)	
Applicant #1					
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTH DATE	L	ANGUAGES SPOKEN	
RACE	ETHNIC BACKGROUND	CULTURAL HERITAGE	PRACTICED R	ELIGION	
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED	AREA OF SPECIALIZED EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	1	IUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK WEEK	
Applicant #2		RELATIONSHIP TO AP	PUCANT #1		
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTH DATE	L	anguages spoken	
RACE	ETHNIC BACKGROUND	CULTURAL HERITAGE PRACTICED RELIGION		ELIGION	
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED	AREA OF SPECIALIZED EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	4	NUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK WEEK	

Household member #1		RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT #1			
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTH DATE	LANGUAGES SPOKEN		
RACE	ETHNIC BACKGROUND	CULTURAL HERITAGE PRACTICED	RELIGION		
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED	AREA OF SPECIALIZED EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	NUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK WEEK		
Household member #2		RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT #1			
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTH DATE	LANGUAGES SPOKEN		
RACE	ETHNIC BACKGROUND	CULTURAL HERITAGE PRACTICED	RELIGION		
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED	AREA OF SPECIALIZED EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	NUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK WEEK		
Household member #3		RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT #1			
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTH DATE	LANGUAGES SPOKEN		
RACE	ETHNIC BACKGROUND	CULTURAL HERITAGE PRACTICED	RELIGION		
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED	AREA OF SPECIALIZED EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	NUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK WEEK		
Household member #4		RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT #1			
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTH DATE	LANGUAGES SPOKEN		
RACE	ETHNIC BACKGROUND	CULTURAL HERITAGE PRACTICED	RELIGION		
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED	AREA OF SPECIALIZED EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	NUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK WEEK		
Household member #5		RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT #1			
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)		BIRTH DATE	LANGUAGES SPOKEN		
RACE	ETHNIC BACKGROUND	CULTURAL HERITAGE PRACTICED	RELIGION		
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED	AREA OF SPECIALIZED EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	NUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK WEEK		
Household member #6		RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT #1	RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT #1		
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)	Angel West States and	BIRTH DATE	LANGUAGES SPOKEN		
RACE	ETHNIC BACKGROUND	CULTURAL HERITAGE PRACTICED	RELIGION		
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED	AREA OF SPECIALIZED EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	NUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK WEEK		
Home (Description of hor	ne as it pertains to adoption or foste	r care of children.)			
SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH HOME	IS LOCATED				
Children placed in the hom	ne would attend the following scho	ools:			
ELEMENTARY		MIDDLE/JUNIOR HIGH			
HIGH SCHOOL		SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION Bus Other			
Does applicant plan to hor	me school?		☐ Yes ☐ No		
	e school plan been approved by th	e public school district?	☐ Yes ☐ No		

Are there pers in the home?  Yes No If so, what type(s) of pet(s)?  Yes No  Do pets meet local safety requirements?  Yes No Do pets have current vaccinations?  Yes No  Dwelling information (Clock all that apply):  Own Rent Mobile Home Multi-unit Single Family House Second Floor Above Second Floor  Basement Attached Garage Wood Burning Stove or Fireplace  3riefly describe home neighborhood. Include information regarding the type of community (e.g., rursl, urban, residential, nedustrial), ethnic composition, and information regarding resources such as medical facilities, churches, shopping, and eccreational opportunities. For purposes of international adoption include description of the home and property.  Sleeping arrangements (Indicate where a foster or adopted child will sleep.)  Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Indicate upper-U, or lower-L,	Do pets meet local safety  Dwelling information (Che  Own Rent N  Briefly describe home neigndustrial), ethnic composite creational opportunities.	requirements?  eck all that apply)  Mobile Home   hborhood. Includition, and inform For purposes of	Yes No  Multi-unit Sin Basement At de information regaration regarding resinternational adopt	Do pets have current vaccination ple Family House Second Flotached Garage Wood Burnarding the type of community (e.gources such as medical facilities, coion include description of the house dopted child will sleep.)	ons? Yes No  Nor Above Second Floor ning Stove or Fireplace g., rural, urban, residential, thurches, shopping, and me and property.
Dieleping arrangements (Indicate where a force or adapted child will steep.)    Second Floor   Above Second Floor   Atrached Garage   Wood Burning Stove or Fireplace	Dwelling information (Che Dwn Rent N Briefly describe home neigndustrial), ethnic composite ecreational opportunities.	eck all that apply)  Mobile Home   hborhood. Includition, and inform For purposes of	Multi-unit Single Basement At the Attended At the Information regarding resolution regarding resolution and adopted the Informational adopted the Informational Adopted the Information and Information Attended to the Informatio	ngle Family House Second Flotached Garage Wood Burnarding the type of community (e.gources such as medical facilities, coion include description of the ho	or Above Second Floor ning Stove or Fireplace g., rural, urban, residential, thurches, shopping, and me and property.
Own	Own Rent A	Mobile Home  hborhood. Includition, and inform For purposes of  ments (Indicate	Multi-unit Sin Basement At	tached Garage	ning Stove or Fireplace g., rural, urban, residential, thurches, shopping, and me and property.
Own	Own Rent A	Mobile Home  hborhood. Includition, and inform For purposes of  ments (Indicate	Multi-unit Sin Basement At	tached Garage	ning Stove or Fireplace g., rural, urban, residential, thurches, shopping, and me and property.
Basement	Briefly describe home neign ndustrial), ethnic composi ecreational opportunities.	hborhood. Includition, and inform For purposes of	Basement At At de information regaration regarding resinternational adopt	tached Garage	ning Stove or Fireplace g., rural, urban, residential, thurches, shopping, and me and property.
icleeping arrangements (Indicate where a foster or adopted child will sleep.)  Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5.	ileeping arranger	ition, and inform For purposes of   ments (Indicate	de information rega nation regarding rese international adopt	arding the type of community (e.gources such as medical facilities, continued in the hole of the hole	g., rural, urban, residential, churches, shopping, and me and property.
Sleeping arrangements (Indicate where a foster or adopted child will sleep.)  Bedroom   Floor / Level   Occupants   Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  1.   2.   3.   4.   5.   5.    Experience with foster care/adoption  Has applicant(s) previously applied, worked with, or working with another foster care/adoption agency?   Yes   No AGENCY'S NAME   No Explain   Type   No Is business adult foster care?   Yes   No Is business board and lodge?   Yes   No Is business adult foster care?   Yes   Yes	ndustrial), ethnic composi ecreational opportunities.	ition, and inform For purposes of   ments (Indicate	nation regarding resinternational adopt	ources such as medical facilities, coion include description of the ho	churches, shopping, and me and property.
Sileeping arrangements (Indicate where a foster or adopsed child will sleep.)   Bedroom   Floor / Level   Occupants   Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)   1.	ileeping arranger	nents (Indicat	e where a foster or a	dopted child will sleep.)	
Bedroom   Floor / Level   Occupants   Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U.) or lower-L.)   Coulomble of the control of th			1'		Storage space for
Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  1.			1'		Storage space for
Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  Section 1.			1'		Storage space for
Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  1.			1'		Storage space for
Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  1.			1'		Storage space for
Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  Section 1.			1'		Storage space for
Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  1.			1'		Storage space for
Bedroom Floor / Level Occupants Type of bed(s) Crib, Single, Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  1.			1'		Storage space for
Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  Double, Bunk (if bunk, indicate upper-U, or lower-L.)  Use only for child foster care.  Comparison of the control of	Bedroom Fl	oor / Level	Occupants	Type of hed/s) Crib Single	Storage space for
indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only for child foster care)  indicate upper-U, or lower-L.) (Use only foster care)  indicate upper-U,			Occopanis		
1.	1			1	(Use only for child foster care
3. 4. 5. Experience with foster care/adoption  Has applicant(s) previously applied, worked with, or working with another foster care/adoption agency?	1.			* * *	
A.  S.  Experience with foster care/adoption  Has applicant(s) previously applied, worked with, or working with another foster care/adoption agency? Yes No  AGENCY'S NAME  Does applicant operate a business from the residence? Yes No  Explain  If childcare, is applicant licensed? Yes No  Is business adult foster care? Yes No  Is business adult foster care? Yes No	2.		1		
Experience with foster care/adoption  Has applicant(s) previously applied, worked with, or working with another foster care/adoption agency?	3.				
Experience with foster care/adoption  Has applicant(s) previously applied, worked with, or working with another foster care/adoption agency?	4.				,
Experience with foster care/adoption  Has applicant(s) previously applied, worked with, or working with another foster care/adoption agency?					
Has applicant(s) previously applied, worked with, or working with another foster care/adoption agency?	<u></u>				-
Has applicant(s) previously applied, worked with, or working with another foster care/adoption agency?	i	nstov savo/a	dontion		
AGENCY'S NAME  ADDRESS  DATES OF INVOLVEMENT AND OUTCOME  Does applicant operate a business from the residence?  Explain	-		=	with another foster care/adoption	n agency? Yes No
Does applicant operate a business from the residence?  Explain		y applied, work			
Does applicant operate a business from the residence?  Explain					
Explain	DATES OF INVOLVEMENT AND OU	ЛСОМЕ			
If childcare, is applicant licensed?	Does applicant operate a	business from the	e residence?		☐ Yes ☐ No
Is business board and lodge?	Explain				
Is business board and lodge?	If childcare, is applicant l	icensed?	☐ Yes ☐ No	Is business adult foster care?	Yes No
If applicable, describe impact of home business on foster/adoption plan:			☐ Yes ☐ No		
	If applicable, describe im	pact of home bus	siness on foster/ado	ption plan:	

#### **Transportation** If you own vehicles: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Will Obtain Are there age appropriate infant care seats? Yes No Do you have insurance for all vehicles? Do you have access to a city bus? Yes No If yes, distance to nearest bus stop\_ Describe alternative transportation plan if family does not own an operating vehicle or live on a bus line: References - Required at Initial Licensure Only (Non-related individuals) 1. Name MI FIRST LAST TELEPHONE STREET ADDRESS ZIP CODE STATE CITY 2. Name M FIRST LAST TELEPHONE STREET ADDRESS ZIP CODE STATE CITY 3. Name FIRST M LAST TELEPHONE STREET ADDRESS ZIP CODE STATE CITY The information that I have provided on this application is true and accurate. If the Commissioner of Human Services grants me a license, I agree to comply with the requirements contained in Minnesota Rules at all times during the term of the license. I agree that the Commissioner's representative has the right to request any documentation required by Minnesota Rules or Laws and to inspect my home and its grounds at any time during the hours that I provide care. Further, I agree that the documentation and inspection required by the rules is necessary for the Commissioner to determine whether I am complying with Minnesota Rules and Laws. Finally, I agree that any documentation that I provide or representations that I make to the Commissioner's representative during the time that I am licensed or throughout the adoption assessment process or during the license application process will be true and accurate and that any misrepresentations or other violations of Minnesota Rules and Laws may result in immediate suspension, suspension, revocation or denial of the license. I (we) understand that failure to disclose complete and accurate information may result in termination of adoption services or denial of the application.

APPLICANT #2 SIGNATURE

DATE

APPLICANT #1 SIGNATURE

DATE

Attention. If you want free help translating this information, ask your worker or call the number below for your language.

ملاحظة: إذا أردت مساعدة مجانية في ترجمة هذه المعلومات، فاسأل مساعدك في مكتب الخدمة الاجتماعية أو اتصل على الرقم 377-358-180.

កំណត់សំគាល់ បើអ្នកចាប្រែនធំនួយបកប្រែជាតិមាននេះដោយមិនគិតថ្លៃ សូមសួរអ្នកកាន់សំណុំរឿងរបស់អ្នក ឬ ទូរស័ព្ទទៅលេខ 1-888-468-3787 ។

Pažnja. Ako vam je potrebna besplatna pomoć za prevod ove informacije, pitajte vašeg radnika ili nazovite 1-888-234-3785.

Ceeb toom. Yog koj xav tau kev pab txhais cov xov no rau koj dawb, nug koj tus neeg lis dej num (worker) lossis hu 1-888-486-8377.

ໂປຼດຊາບ. ້ຖາຫາກທ່ານຕ້ອງການການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອໃນການແປອໍ້ຄວາມດັ່ງກ່າວນີ້ຟຣີ, ຈົ່ງຖາມນຳພນັກງານຊ່ວຍວຽກອອງທ່ານຫຼື ໂທຣ໌ ຫາຕາມເລກໂທຣ໌ 1-888-487-8251.

Hubaddhu. Yoo akka odeeffannoon kun sii hiikamu gargaarsa tolaa feeta ta'e, hojjataa kee gaafaddhu ykn lakkoofsa kana bilbili 1-888-234-3798.

Внимание: если вам нужна бесплатная помощь в переводе этой информации, обратитесь к своему социальному работнику или позвоните по следующему телефону: 1-888-562-5877.

Ogow. Haddii aad dooneyso in lagaa kaalmeeyo tarjamadda macluumaadkani oo lacag la'aan ah, weydii hawl-wadeenkaaga ama wac lambarkan 1-888-547-8829.

Atención. Si desea recibir asistencia gratuita para traducir esta información, consulte a su trabajador o llame al 1-888-428-3438.

Chú Ý. Nếu quý vị cần dịch thông-tin nầy miễn phí, xin gọi nhân-viên xã-hội của quý vị hoặc gọi số 1-888-554-8759.

This information is available in other forms to people with disabilities by contacting us at (651) 431-4199 or toll free at (800) 657-3954. TTY/TDD users can call the Minnesota Relay at 711 or (800) 627-3529. For the Speech-to-Speech Relay, call (877) 627-3848.



### **Home Safety Checklist**

	(www.mayna)	A	dult ]	Fost	er Care
con	npletec	l by th	e oper	ator a	(AFC) - A Home Safety Checklist, approved by the commissioner, must be and the commissioner before licensure each year a fire marshal inspection is not s, part 9555.6125, subp. 2.
age	ncy en	nploye	e usin	g the	(CFC) - Prior to licensure, the foster home must be inspected by a licensing home safety checklist from the commissioner of Human Services. Reference subp. 1
<b>∄</b> ∣					(FCC) - The Home Safety Checklist may be used as part of the licensing study. 9502.0425-9502.0445.
Eme	ergen	cy Pr	oced	ures	
	Yes		No	1.	The emergency phone numbers are posted near the phone.
	Yes		No	2.	Emergency procedures are planned, written, and posted.
	Yes		No	3.	A battery powered flashlight and radio/TV is available and operable.
	Yes		No	4.	First-aid supplies are readily available.
	Yes		No	5.	An operable telephone is located within the residence.
	Yes		No	6.	Exit doors and windows are not obstructed and are easily opened from the inside.
Ph	ysical	l Env	ironr	nent	
	Yes		No	1.	The wiring appears safe; no known hazards exist.
	Yes		No	2.	Extension cords are appropriately used and are not used in place of permanent wiring.
	Yes		No	3.	A fire extinguisher is maintained in the kitchen cooking area or area approved by the fire marshal.  Fire extinguisher rating:
	Yes		No	4.	All smoke detectors are properly installed, appropriately located, and maintained in proper operating condition.
	Yes		No	5.	All interior doors can be unlocked from the outside and the key is easily accessible in the case of an emergency.
	Yes		No	6.	If there is an attached garage, a proper fire separation is maintained between the house and garage. (FCC)
	Yes		No	7.	The water temperature is set to prevent scalding, as appropriate; in day care homes the temperature does not exceed 120• F.
	Yes		No	8.	Fireplaces, wood burning stoves, and other hot surfaces are protected by guards to prevent burns.
	Yes		No	9.	Furnaces are checked regularly and maintained in good working condition.

Ho	me S	afety	& H	ealt!	h
	Yes		No	1.	Knives, tools, matches, and other potentially hazardous materials are inaccessible to children, unless used with appropriate supervision. (FDC, CFC)
	Yes		No	2.	Combustible items are properly stored at least 36" from any heating sources.
	Yes		No	3.	Food is handled and properly stored to prevent contamination, spoilage, or a threat to health.
	Yes		No	4.	Residence is clean and free from accumulations of dirt, rubbish, peeling paint, rodents and insects.
	Yes		No	5.	Chemicals, detergents, medicines, and other toxic substances are stored separately from food products. When appropriate, these substances are inaccessible to clients.
	Yes		No	6.	Any Schedule II controlled substances are stored in a locked area. (AFC)
	Yes		No	7.	There is a safe water supply in the residence; water from privately-owned wells is tested annually by a certified laboratory.
	Yes		No	8.	Individual clean towels, wash cloths, and bedding are provided for each client.
[ ]	Yes		No	9.	Weapons and ammunition are stored separately in locked areas.
Ob	vious	safet	ty haz	zard	ls or concerns?:
	******				
	annum y Majariga Malaka		***************************************		
Prov	ider Sig	nature:			Date
Lice	nsingW	orker:			Date