

1 Caregivers complete required trainings:
Orientation¹ • Caregiver Core Training (CCT)²
First-Aid and CPR • Blood-Borne Pathogens

2 Caregivers submit their application³ and background check forms⁴ to start the process.

3 Licensing Division staff are assigned and the applicant(s) is notified that their application was received.

4 Caregivers complete and provide to Licensing Division staff all other application materials. Caregivers can follow along on the Licensing Application Checklist⁵.

5 Licensing Division staff contact the applicant(s) to schedule an interview and home visits.

6 Caregivers complete all other requirements.

7 Licensing Division staff complete home visits, write the home study, and ask their supervisor to review the complete application.

8 Approved families receive their license and other information by email or postal mail.

Foster Home Licensing ROAD MAP

Thank you for your interest in becoming a foster parent!

This publication explains the journey to getting licensed. Please contact Licensing Division staff or the Caregiver Retention, Education and Support (CaRES) program with questions and for support and guidance.



Support and guidance through the licensing process is available!

Contact the Alliance for Child Welfare Excellence Caregiver Retention, Education and Support (CaRES) program for more information.

Email: alliancecares@uw.edu

Website: www.alliancecarescommunity.org

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- 1 www.dcyf.wa.gov/services/foster-parenting/training-requirements
- 2 <https://allianceforchildwelfare.org/content/caregiver-core-training-elearning>
- 3 www.dcyf.wa.gov/forms?field_number_value=10-354&title=
- 4 www.dshs.wa.gov/fsa/forms?field_number_value=09-653&title=
- 5 www.dcyf.wa.gov/forms?field_number_value=10-578&title=

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