

**CLINTON COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES
FOSTER CARE PROGRAM.
FOSTER HOME SHARING POLICY**

In accordance with Rule 5101:2-5-31(A) of the Ohio Administrative Code, Clinton County Job and Family Services has established the following policy pertinent to the sharing of foster homes.

- A. Prior to an agency sharing use of a foster home which has been recommended for certification by another agency, the agency wishing to use the home shall obtain a written agreement signed by the recommending agency stating how the home is to be used and that all parties affected by the agreement approve of it. The recommending agency shall also provide written notification to any other agencies currently using the home.
- B. The written agreement shall include at least the following information:
 - 1. Name and address of foster home to be shared;
 - 2. Full names and dates of births of each foster child to be placed in said foster home;
 - 3. Estimated time frame for sharing the foster home;
 - 4. Description of reimbursement rates including per diem, mileage, clothing, etc.;
 - 5. Signatures from all parties in agreement including a representative from the recommending agency, a representative from the agency wishing to share the foster home, and the foster caregivers.
- C. All parties involved in the agreement shall obtain a copy of the written agreement.
- D. The recommending agency will also provide the agency wishing to use the home with a copy of the current foster home license.
- E. The recommending agency will have the ultimate authority to approve or deny a request to share a foster home.
- F. The recommending agency or the agency wishing to share the home may determine the termination of the written agreement if necessary and when the sharing of a foster home is not working as agreed upon and/or if the placement of a foster child named in the agreement is disrupting. The party wishing to terminate the agreement shall notify all other parties involved of their desire and reasons for terminating the agreement and its effective date.

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