

## Foster Family Handbook Revisions Tracking Sheet

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You may also wish to download a chapter or the entire document to replace obsolete information.

The following table lists changes.

Page	Heading	Date	Change summary
<i>Chapter 1/DCFS Serves Children and Families</i>			
1:12	Procedures	May-14	Changed website for searching DCFS policy and rules
1:14	Child Welfare Services Defined	May-14	Replaced text for section
1:15	Family Reunification	May-14	Added the word health to insure the child's safety and well-being upon being returned home.
1:16	Youth Development	May-14	Added youth who are part of the Supporting Emancipated Youth Services program
<i>Section 2/ Juvenile Court</i>			
2:1	Circuit Court	May-14	Updated circuit court structure
<i>Section 3/ Working Toward Permanency as a Team</i>			
3:01	Working together as a team	May-14	Added "maintain connections with siblings, family members and other important relationships"
3:03	Child welfare professional role	May-14	Added bullet: developing the Visitation and Contact Plan and the Post Permanency Sibling Contact Plan to support the relationships between children and their siblings
3:07	Foster Care Placement Criteria	May-14	Changed 5th bullet to include "encourage the relationships that important to the child"
3:11	Permanency Planning Process	May-14	Added information regarding sibling connections
<i>Section 4/ Responding to Children's Emotional Needs</i>			
4:26-27	Sibling Visits	May-14	Updated text regarding sibling visits to reflect new procedures. Recommend complete replacement.
<i>Section 5/ Health Services</i>			
5:02	Enrolling in HealthWorks	May-14	Added text regarding conflict of interests when selecting medical providers
5:04	Heath Passport Documents	May-14	Updated Health Passport to reflect new electronic format
5:11	Medical Consents	May-14	Added reminder that caregivers cannot refuse health services for a child in DCFS care.
<i>Section 7 After Foster Care</i>			
7:03	What factors are considered in	May-14	Replaced all bullets
7:06	After becoming an adoptive parent	May-14	Replaced second paragraph to include "How will the child's sbilings be involved?"
7:06	What information about the child will I have prior to the adoption?	May-14	Added bullet: and the actual date and place of birth of the adopted person.
7:11	Becoming a Legal Guardian	May-14	Added "How will the child's siblings be involved
7:23	What can caregivers to to transition youth to independent living	May-14	Added new paragraph discussin sibling connections
<i>Section 10/ Caregiver Resources</i>			
10:01	Quick Reference	May-14	* For printed copies, recommend replacing entire chapter to preserve pagination. Added phone number for Adoption Support Line