Department Employees as Foster Parents

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The Department encourages employees to become foster parents in accordance with good casework practice. To avoid any potential conflict of interest, Department staff members cannot foster through the Department. Interested Department staff may apply to a child placing agency providing family foster care services for a foster care license.

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Procedure from Policy 200.0095: DCYF Employees as Foster Parents

A. Employees who wish to become foster parents apply to a child placing agency licensed to provide child placing services. Employees may not apply to become foster parents directly through the Department of Children, Youth, and Families.

B. The child placing agency is responsible for the following licensing procedures:
   1. Application
   2. Home Study
   3. All requirements in accordance with the Rhode Island Foster Care and Adoption Regulations for Licensure
   4. Pre-service training

C. Subsequent to approving a Department employee as a foster parent, the child placing agency is responsible for:
   1. Placement of child in the foster home
   2. Monitoring of the placement
   3. Supervision of the foster parent
   4. Re-license of the foster parent
   5. On-going training