



HFS/DCF 56.04 AND HFS/DCF 38.05 LICENSEE QUALIFICATIONS FOR  
TREATMENT FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS

Foster Parent Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Foster Parent Co-Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The requirements of this section shall be met in addition to the requirements of HFS/DCF 56.04 and HFS/DCF 38.05 Licensee Qualifications:

\*\*Each applicant must be at least 21 years old.

\*\*Applicants who have a home based daycare or a job that requires second shift work hours may not qualify for a Treatment Foster Home license. Second shift workers may qualify for a respite license.

\*\*Proof of legal US residency is required.

1) A person(s) licensed to operate a treatment foster home shall possess at least 2 of the following: (each applicant must meet these requirements)

- (a) A minimum of one year of experience as a licensed foster parent, understood as having been a licensed foster parent who had a child placed in his or her home for at least one year.
- (b) A minimum of 5 years of experience working with or parenting children.
- (c) A minimum of 500 hours of experience as a respite care provider for children under the supervision of a human services agency.
- (d) A high school diploma or the equivalent.
- (e) A substantial relationship with the child to be placed through previous experience as a staff person or volunteer involved in the child's case or as a family member or friend of the family of the treatment foster child."

I certify that I have met at least two of the above listed requirements. **(Please circle the requirements that you meet)**

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_



HFS/DCF 56.06 AND HFS/DCF 38.08 LICENSEE QUALIFICATIONS FOR RESPITE PROVIDERS

Respite Care Provider Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Respite Care Provider Co-Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

HFS 38.08 Respite care provider qualifications:

**(1) QUALIFICATIONS.** A respite care provider shall:

- (a)** Be at least 18 years of age and at least 5 years older than any child being cared for by the foster parent.
- (b)** Have direct care experience or training in working with children with conditions similar to the child for whom he or she will be caring.
- (c)** Be physically able to provide the care needed and in the setting required.
- (d)** Have a willingness to be flexible and work varied, atypical hours.
- (e)** Be able to independently and reliably get to and from respite care assignments.
- (f)** Possess the ability to accept responsibility, work independently, exercise good judgment, maintain confidentiality and manage the varied medical, behavioral and care needs of children in treatment foster care.
- (g)** Reside in a home which meets the physical and environmental needs of the treatment foster child for whom care is to be provided, if the respite care is to be provided in the respite care provider's residence.
- (h)** Authorize the licensing or providing agency to conduct a criminal records check as described in s. HFS 56.05 (1) (f).

I certify that I meet the above requirements.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_