

9555.6185 FOSTER CARE TRAINING.

Subpart 1. **Orientation.** Operators and caregivers must complete the orientation provided by the local agency in part 9555.5505 prior to placement of the first resident following initial licensure.

Subp. 2. **Training requirements.** In addition to the orientation training, caregivers must complete the training designed to meet the needs of the residents in care in any of the subject areas and in the amount specified in subpart 4. The operator must ensure that a record of training completed is maintained.

A. Caregivers with zero to five years of licensure or experience as an adult foster home caregiver must complete 12 hours training a year.

B. Caregivers with six or more years of licensure or experience as an adult foster home caregiver must complete six hours training a year.

C. Caregivers who provide services according to a contract between the operator and the department or service must comply with any additional training requirements stated in the terms of the contract.

Subp. 3. **Exceptions.** The following persons are exempt from the training requirements in this part:

A. caregivers providing not more than 30 cumulative days of foster care in a 12-month period; and

B. caregivers providing foster care eight hours or less a week.

Subp. 4. **Training subjects.** Training subjects shall be selected from the following areas:

A. communication skills;

B. roles and relationships in foster care;

C. community services for adults;

D. constructive problem solving;

E. cultural differences;

F. basic first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR);

G. home safety;

H. self-esteem;

I. medication assistance;

J. human sexuality;

K. death, dying, separation, and grieving;

- L. aging process;
- M. recreation and leisure time;
- N. nutrition;
- O. mental health;
- P. developmental disability;
- Q. physical disabilities;
- R. chemical dependency;
- S. abuse and neglect;
- T. stress management;
- U. assertiveness;
- V. eating disorders;
- W. behavior problem solving;
- X. money management;
- Y. data privacy;
- Z. living skills training; and
- AA. other areas that the local agency documents as relevant to adult foster care.

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