



Dear Alaska Resource Parent:

First of all, thank you for the important work you do. Taking care of children who have experienced trauma or need the protection of adults is important and difficult work. Thank you for your work and heart in helping in this effort!


Alaska's Resource Family Handbook is a guide to help you in the job of meeting your licensing requirements and procedural requirements in caring for children in the custody of the Office of Children's Services. It has been updated and revised and we strongly encourage you to read through it to familiarize yourself with any new and existing expectations of you as a licensed.

To encourage you in this effort, you can earn 2.0 training credits that can be used toward your Individualized Training Plan (I.T.P.) or towards your homework assignments if you are participating in Core Training for Resource Families or Core Training for Relative Caregivers. To earn training credit, read through the handbook then complete the questionnaire that is included with the Handbook. Return the questionnaire to your local Alaska Center for Resource Families, or mail it to ACRF at 815 Second Avenue, Suite 101, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701 or fax your completed questionnaire to (907) 479-9666. If you have any questions about what you read in the Handbook, please contact your licensing worker for clarification.

Again, I thank you for the important work you do and Alaska's children thank you, too!

Sincerely,

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OFFICE USE ONLY _____ Score _____ Percent Correct
Alaska's Resource Family Handbook **2.0 Hours**
Only one person per questionnaire. Feel free to make additional copies if needed.

NAME: _____ PHONE NO: _____
Street or Post Office City/State Zip

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

YES! I would like to receive ACRF email. (Includes Training Tracks Newsletter, training reminders and community events or training of interest for Resource Families)

Are you a foster parent? YES NO If YES, what is your Foster Home License #: _____

If NO, please check one: Pending Foster Parent OCS Birth Parent Adoptive Parent

Residential Treatment Facility (License #: _____) Agency: _____

Other (please specify): _____

CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING

Read through the handbook to find out more information about being a resource family in Alaska. If you wish to earn 2.0 Training Credits toward your Individual Training Plan, please fill out the following questionnaire based on the information you found in the Handbook. Then RETURN TO: ACRF, 815 Second Avenue Suite 101, Fairbanks, AK 99701. Or fax it to 907-479-9666. A score of 70% correct or better will entitle you to receive training 2.0 Training Credits.

1. Within days of a child being placed in your home, you should receive a Placement Packet with several important documents in it. Name two of the documents that should be in the placement packet.

a.
b.

2. How many days of being placed in out-of-home care are all children in OCS custody required to have an EPSDT well-child exam?

- _____ a. Ten (10) days
_____ b. Fifteen (15) days
_____ c. Thirty (30) days
_____ d. Forty-Five (45) days

3. According to the Handbook, which of the following folks need to be fingerprinted when becoming a resource family?

- _____ a. Unlicensed relative caregivers
_____ b. Foster Parents
_____ c. All household members of a potential licensed foster home who are age 16 and older
_____ d. Prospective Adoptive Parents
_____ e. All of the Above

4. Licensed foster homes are required by Alaska State Regulations to have a disaster preparedness and emergency evacuation plan including fire safety and fire drills.

- _____ a. True
_____ b. False

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5. An individual with a barrier crime can request a variance to be approved as a foster parent to care for a child in State custody.

- a. True
- b. False

6. Chapter 24 in the Handbook looks at what the expectations are for foster families when dealing with birth families. Name one thing about the importance of working with birth parents that you learned from this section.

7. What does ICWA stand for?

8. What is a lifebook?

No spanking or corporal punishment may be used on a child in care including no hitting, slapping, pinching, or hair pulling.

- a. True
- b. False

It is a requirement that all children younger than three years of age who are victims of substantial abuse and neglect be assessed by which of the following programs to assess developmental delays?

- a. Infant Learning Program
- b. School District
- c. Special Education
- d. OCS Investigation Unit

Name three items that you need to take with you for medical care while traveling with a child in care. a.

- b.
- c.

Match the word in COLUMN A with its definition in COLUMN B by drawing a line connecting the two.

COLUMN A

Adoption

Guardianship

Resource families

Independent Living Transition Plan

COLUMN B

A. Provides safe, stable, loving homes for children in need until it is determined that their parents are capable of safely caring for the child.

B. A plan of helping youth learn the skills and resources to care for themselves before being released from custody.

C. Considered a lifelong commitment to a child.

D. Provides a permanent home to a child until the child turns 18 years of age.

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