



The Road To Fostering



Step	Description	Time Frame
Inquiry # 1	Interest expressed by a family to learn more about the Department of Children and Families Foster Care and Adoption Licensing.	Day One
Open House # 2	Provides a family with information necessary to consider becoming a licensed resource. (Preliminary Background Check)	Within 30 days of Inquiry
Personal Interview (PI) Home Visit # 3	A home visit to assess the physical/safety aspects of the home environment, motivation to become licensed, and give the family an opportunity to ask additional questions about the process.	Within 60 days of Inquiry
PRIDE Training # 4	Parent Resources for Information, Development, and Education is a training/group assessment used as part of the assessment for licensure. (5- 10 weeks)	Within 90 days of Inquiry
Background Checks # 5	Follow Up Home Visits/Interviews Licensing Required Documents & Mutual Assessment.	During Your PRIDE Training
License Foster Care and Adoption # 6	Licensed to provide care to children entering the Department's care.	5-10 Weeks After PRIDE Training – You choose 5-10 Weeks of Training
Post-License Support and Training # 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Assigned a Support worker •Attend support groups •Attend post-license trainings •CAFAP support Services 	Ongoing