**Foster Home Agreement**

**Child Placed in Out-Of-Home Care by Agency**

**Use of Form:** The use of this form is voluntary. This form meets the requirements pursuant to [Wis. Stat. s. 48.64(1m)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/48.64(1m)) that the agency shall enter into a written agreement with the out-of-home care provider if the agency places a child with a relative other than a parent, a foster home or group home or under a court order or places a child in a foster home, group home, or shelter care facility pursuant to [Wis. Stat. s. 938.22 (2) (c)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/938.22(2)(c))  or under a voluntary agreement pursuant to [Wis. Stat. s. 48.63](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/48.63). Personal information you provide may be used for secondary purposes [Privacy Law, s.15.04(1)(m), Wis. Stats].

**Instructions:** The agency responsible for overseeing the care and maintenance of a child placed in out-of-home care shall review this agreement with the out-of-home care provider. This form shall be signed by the out-of-home care provider and supervising agency or licensing agency.

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| Agency Name | | | | | | |
| Relative Caregiver, Foster Parent(s), or Group Home Parent(s) Name | | | | | | |
| enter into the following agreement regarding the placement of | | | | | | |
| Child Full Name (First, Middle, Last) | | | | | | |
| or all children placed into the home of a relative, foster home or group home. | | | | | | |
| **GENERAL PROVISIONS** | | | | | | |
| **Agency Agrees:** | | **Out-of- Home Care Provider(s) Agrees:** | | | | |
| 1. | To place children according to the conditions of the court order, license and statutory authority. | 1. | To abide by conditions of the court order and our license. | | | |
| 2. | To place only children needing the care and maintenance that the out-of-home care provider can reasonably provide. | 2. | To accept for placement only those children whose needs can be met in our home. | | | |
| 3. | To provide all pertinent reliable information available to help the out-of-home care provider decide whether or not to accept placement. | 3. | To accept for placement only those children approved by the licensing agency. | | | |
| 4. | To provide the foster parents with access to guidelines and policies used by the agency in operating its foster care program. | 4. | To develop an understanding of the responsibilities, objectives and requirements of the agency's foster care program. | | | |
| 5. | To provide information to the out-of-home care provider pursuant to [Wis. Admin Code ch. DCF 37](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/admin_code/dcf/021_099/37/) (Information for Out-of-Home Care Providers. Part A and B) which is necessary for effective care of the child. | 5. | To share information which is necessary for the care for the child place in out-of-home care pursuant to [Wis. Admin. Code ch. DCF 37](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/admin_code/dcf/021_099/37/). | | | |
| 6. | To involve the foster parents, as well as the birth or adoptive parents, relatives, and child, as appropriate, in the development and revision of the plan for the child. | 6. | To work with the agency, as well as the birth or adoptive parents, relatives, and child, as appropriate, in planning for and providing services to the child. | | | |
| 7. | To establish a plan for agency contacts and to provide prompt assistance with emergencies. | 7. | To allow the supervising, placing, or licensing agency access to the child and the home. | | | |
| 8. | To provide appropriate training experiences for the foster parent(s) pursuant to [Wis. Admin Code ch. DCF 56.14](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/administrativecode/DCF%2056.14), if the out-of-home care provider is a licensed foster parent. | 8. | To participate in appropriate training experiences pursuant to [Wis. Admin Code ch. DCF 56.14](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/administrativecode/DCF%2056.14) if licensed as a foster parent. | | | |
| 9. | To give written notice of intent to remove the child when a child has been in the home for 6 months or more. The notice shall state reasons for such removal and inform foster parents that the child may not be removed before completion of a hearing pursuant to [Wis. Stat. s. 48.64 (4)(a)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/48.64(4)(a)) or [(c)](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/48.64(4)(c)), if requested, or 30 days from receipt of the notice, whichever is later, unless the safety of the child requires it. | 9. | If the child is removed from an adoptive placement, to make no claim against the placing agency for the expenses of care, clothing, or medical treatment. | | | |
| 10. | To provide information concerning the appeal process for grievances of foster parents as established in [Wis. Stat. s. 48.64 (4)(a),](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/statutes/48.64(4)(a)) and pursuant to [Wis. Admin. Code ch. DCF 56.10](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/document/administrativecode/DCF%2056.10). | 10. | If the child leaves the home, provide the child's record to the supervising agency or child welfare professional. | | | |
| **SIGNATURES** | | | | | | |
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|  | Agency Name | | |  | Date Signed |  |
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|  | **SIGNATURE** – Child Welfare Professional | | |  | Date Signed |  |
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|  | **SIGNATURE** – Out-of-Home Care Provider | | |  | Date Signed |  |
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|  | **SIGNATURE** – Out-of-Home Care Provider | | |  | Date Signed |  |