



# Non-Related/Relative Kin Kansas Foster Home Abridged Licensing Regulations

## Additional age-specific – below 6 years

- All household cleaning supplies, chemicals, and hazardous materials that have warning labels advising the consumer to keep out of the reach of children shall be kept in locked storage or stored out of reach of children less than six years of age.
- Sharp instruments/knives shall be stored to prevent access by children less than six years of age
- ALL electrical outlets covered

## Additional age-specific – below 2 years

- Attached gates at the top of stairs with two (2) or more steps, 30" drop, and/or door at top
- Pressure gates at the bottom of stairs or where there is a door at the bottom



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## Getting Started

Thank you for your interest in providing a safe, loving home for a child in your life. Caring for a child that you have an emotional attachment with is a challenging, yet richly rewarding vocation that has the potential to positively change a child's life forever. It will also change your own in ways you never imagined. Over the next 90 days, our staff will work with you to achieve full licensure of your home.

Here you will find a checklist to help you prepare your home to be licensed for the child(ren) entering your care. Each item is included solely to ensure the health and safety of children. As you go through the list, please don't hesitate to call us with any questions you might have. We are eager to help you.

## All homes with children ages 0-18

### Each Parent Completes Training:

- First Aid
- Online Medication Administration
- State approved Preservice training within the first year

### Accommodations:

- Adequate bedroom space for each person sharing a bedroom.
- Age-appropriate bed for each child – no temporary bed such as Pack 'n Play, cot, etc.
- Windows inside each child's bedroom easily opened for egress.
- Stairs with a drop greater than 30" must be guarded on each side.

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## Safety:

- Pass KBI/DCF background check (ages 10 and above)
- Pass fingerprint-based checks (ages 18 and above)
- Medications under lock and key/magnetic lock (prescription, non-prescription, pet medications, vitamins, supplements)
- Firearms/weapons stored unloaded and locked in container/safe
- Ammunition locked and stored separately from firearms
- All tools stored out of reach of children, locked up, or in a garage (if an appropriate safety plan is in place)
- Matches/lighters, tobacco, e-cigarettes, alcohol inaccessible to children (foster parents may not smoke inside the house or in attached buildings such as a garage)
- Carbon monoxide detector ADJACENT to children's bedrooms AND foster parent's bedroom (hallway)
- Smoke detectors INSIDE children's bedrooms AND foster parent's bedroom
- At least one (1) each smoke detector & carbon monoxide detector on each level of the home
- Ponds or bodies of water enclosed, or an appropriate safety plan in place
- In-ground/above-ground pool or hot tub meets regulations

