

237.5A Foster parent training.

As a condition for initial licensure, each individual licensee shall complete thirty hours of foster parent training offered or approved by the department. Prior to annual renewal of licensure, each individual licensee shall also complete six hours of foster parent training. The training shall include but is not limited to physical care, education, learning disabilities, referral to and receipt of necessary professional services, behavioral assessment and modification, self-assessment, self-living skills, and biological parent contact. An individual licensee may complete the training as part of an approved training program offered by a public or private agency with expertise in the provision of child foster care or in related subject areas. The department shall adopt rules to implement and enforce this training requirement.

A licensee who is unable to complete six hours of foster parent training prior to annual licensure renewal because the licensee is engaged in active duty in the military service shall be considered to be in compliance with the training requirement for annual licensure renewal.

84 Acts, ch 1279, § 25; 87 Acts, ch 117, § 1; 2002 Acts, ch 1102, §4; 2004 Acts, ch 1116, §19