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TO BE RESCINDED

5101:2-42-18 **Approval of substitute care placement settings.**

- (A) Any substitute care placement setting which is not subject to licensure/certification/approval of the Ohio department of human services or another state agency with authority for licensure/certification/approval of facilities which care for children must be approved by PCSA or PCPA prior to the a child's placement in the setting.
- (B) Approval of such a substitute care setting shall only be given after the PCSA or PCPA which proposes to make placement in the setting has been satisfied that the placement setting meets the standards as found in rules 5101:2-7-41 to 5101:2-7-67 of the Administrative Code.
- (C) As long as the placement provides substitute care for children, the PCSA or PCPA shall complete a reevaluation of the placement and determine its continuing approval based on the requirements of paragraph (B) of this rule. The reevaluation shall be completed annually, within thirty days of the anniversary date of the previous evaluation or reevaluation.
- (D) The same provisions of rule 5101:2-7-19 of the Administrative Code shall also be applicable to the granting of waivers by a PCSA or PCPA in relation to its approval process. All documentation as required by rule 5101:2-7-19 of the Administrative Code shall be completed and maintained by the PCSA or PCPA.
- (E) If the PCSA or PCPA disapproves of a court-ordered placement of a child, whether prior to or after the child's placement, it shall notify the court in writing of its findings and recommend a substitute care placement setting which the PCSA or PCPA determines suitable for placement. Thereafter, the PCSA or PCPA shall continue to notify the court, in writing, of its findings and recommend a substitute care placement setting which it determines suitable for placement at least every six months.
- (F) Nothing in this rule shall supersede or prevent the PCSA from meeting its statutory obligation to investigate allegations of child abuse, neglect, or dependency and seeking court removal of the child from a substitute care placement setting.
- (G) The PCSA or PCPA substitute caregiver's record shall contain written documentation evidencing:
 - (1) The finding of approval or disapproval of placement settings as required by paragraph (A) of this rule.

- (2) Evaluations of placement settings.
- (3) Reevaluations of placement settings.
- (4) Granting of waivers as required by paragraph (D) of this rule.
- (5) The assessment, finding, and efforts made in accordance with requirements of paragraph (C) of this rule.
- (6) Any notices to the court as required by paragraph (E) of this rule. These notices shall also be filed in the child's case record in accordance with rule 5101:2-39-02 of the Administrative Code.

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