5101:2-7-13 **Foster home certificate.**

- (A) A foster home shall be recommended for certification by only one recommending agency at a time.
- (B) The determination of the specific number, age, and sex of children to be placed in a particular foster home is a joint responsibility of the foster caregiver and the recommending agency based on the agency's assessment of the foster caregiver's capability and physical facilities as required in Chapter 5101:2-7 of the Administrative Code.
- (C) Nothing in Chapter 5101:2-7 of the Administrative Code shall be construed as requiring an agency to make or to continue the placement of any child with any foster caregiver solely because of the presence of a current certificate.
- (D) A foster home shall not accept a child into care directly from a parent, another certified agency or other legally approved placement source without the participation and agreement of the recommending agency.
- (E) If the applicants are married to each other, the foster home certificate shall be in the legal names of both spouses residing in the home.
- (F) A transfer of a foster home certificate from one agency to another shall be completed in accordance with rule 5101:2-5-31 of the Administrative Code.
- (G) A foster caregiver shall terminate the certificate within thirty days of his/her residence being licensed, regulated, approved, operated under the direction of, or otherwise certified by any of the following:
 - (1) The department of mental health and addiction services.
 - (2) The department of alcohol and drug addiction services.
 - (3)(2) A community alcohol, drug addiction and mental health board.
 - (4)(3) The department of mental retardation and developmental disabilities.
 - (5)(4) A county board of mental retardation and developmental disabilities.
 - (6)(5) The health department.
 - (7)(6) A juvenile court.

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