WAC 110-148-1326  Can I get a license to care for a specific child, and what are the requirements?  (1) Pursuant to RCW 74.15.125(7), the department may issue a child-specific license to relatives or suitable persons, as defined in RCW 13.36.020, to provide foster care services to a specified child and that child's siblings or relatives in the department's care and authority.
   (a) These placements are at the discretion of the department.
   (b) Licensees under this section may only receive placement of one or more specific children identified prior to the issuance of a license.
   (2) The department must reassess licenses issued under this section when licensees want to:
      (a) Add a child to their child specific license and that child was not identified prior to licensure; or
      (b) Receive a general foster family home license.
   (3) Reassessment under subsection (2) of this section may require licensees to give up their current child specific licenses, complete new or additional training, or submit new licensing applications as a condition of receiving new or different licenses.
   (4) Licensees under this section must meet the licensing requirements detailed in RCW 74.15.030(2) and this chapter.
   (5) A child-specific license does not grant licensees the right to:
      (a) Have a specific child placed in their care; or
      (b) Be a party in any juvenile court proceeding under chapter 13.34 RCW.
Agency: Department of Children, Youth, and Families

Effective date of rule:
Permanent Rules
☒ 31 days after filing.
☐ Other (specify) ______ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?
☐ Yes  ☒ No  If Yes, explain:

Purpose: To affirm the department’s authority to issue child-specific foster family home licenses granted by RCW 74.15.125(7), and establish the limitations of the license: namely, that licensing and child placement is at the discretion of the department and placement is limited to children identified prior to the issuance of the license. The rule also requires reassessment in cases where a child-specific license holder wants to receive placement of a child not identified prior to licensure or wants to receive a general foster family home license.

Citation of rules affected by this order:
New:  110-148-1326
Repealed: 
Amended: 
Suspended: 

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 74.15.125(7)(b)

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)
Adopted under notice filed as WSR 22-09-087 on April 20, 2022 (date).
Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:

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- Federal statute:
  - New ____
  - Amended ____
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  - New ____
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  - Repealed ____

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  - Amended ____
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- New ____
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- New ____
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- New ____
- Amended ____
- Repealed ____

The number of sections adopted using:

- Negotiated rule making:
  - New ____
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  - Repealed ____

- Pilot rule making:
  - New ____
  - Amended ____
  - Repealed ____

- Other alternative rule making:
  - New ____
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  - Repealed ____

**Date Adopted:** July 25, 2022

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