

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Kansas Department for Children and Families

Article 47.—Foster Care Licensing

30-47-805. Background checks.

(a) With each initial application, the applicant shall submit documentation for each individual at least 18 years of age or older to request a fingerprint-based background check from the national crime information center (NCIC) database and for each individual at least 10 years of age to request a background check by the Kansas bureau of investigation and a background check by the Kansas department for children and families in order to comply with K.S.A. 65-516, and amendments thereto. Each request shall be submitted to the department on a form provided by the department. The request shall list the required information for the following:

- (1) Each individual at least 10 years of age who resides in the family foster home, excluding children placed in foster care; and
- (2) each substitute caregiver at least 14 years of age who provides care for a child in foster care in the family foster home.

(b) Each licensee shall submit documentation for each individual at least 18 years of age or older to request a fingerprint-based background check from the national crime information center (NCIC) database, a request to the department to conduct a background check by the Kansas bureau of investigation (KBI) and for each individual 10 years of age and older to request a background check by the Kansas bureau of investigation and of the abuse and neglect registry maintained by the Kansas department for children and families before any of the following occurs:

- (1) A new individual at least 10 years of age begins residing in the family foster home.
- (2) A new substitute caregiver at least 14 years of age begins caring for the child in foster care in the family foster home.

(c) Each individual submitting an initial application for a family foster home license shall obtain a child abuse and neglect registry background check from each previous

state of residence throughout the five-year period before the date of application for each individual at least 18 years of age residing in the home.

(d) Background checks shall be obtained following the procedures of the department.

(e) All fees associated with NCIC checks shall be handled in accordance with department policy.

(Authorized by K.S.A. 65-508, 75-3084, and 75-3085; implementing K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 65-516; effective June 7, 2024.)

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