

Sec. 17a-150-110. Foster family or prospective adoptive family criminal history; pending criminal actions; history of child abuse or neglect

(a) The granting of a license or approval shall be denied if any member of the household of a foster family or prospective adoptive family:

(1) Has been convicted of injury or risk of injury to minor or other similar offenses against a minor

(2) has been convicted of impairing the morals of a minor or other similar offenses against a minor;

(3) has been convicted of violent crime against a person or other similar offenses;

(4) has been convicted of the possession, use, or sale of controlled substances within the past five (5) years;

(5) has been convicted of illegal use of a firearm or other similar offenses;

(6) has ever had an allegation of child abuse or neglect substantiated; or

(7) has had a minor removed from their care because of child abuse or neglect.

(b) The renewal of a license or approval may be denied if any member of the household of a foster family or prospective adoptive family:

(1) Has been convicted of injury or risk of injury to a minor or other similar offenses against a minor;

(2) has been convicted of impairing the morals of a minor or other similar offenses against a minor;

(3) has been convicted of violent crime against a person or other similar offenses;

(4) has been convicted of the possession, use, or sale of controlled substances;

(5) has been convicted of illegal use of a firearm or other similar offenses;

(6) has ever had an allegation of child abuse or neglect substantiated; or

(7) has had a minor removed from their care because of child abuse or neglect.

(c) The granting or renewal of a license or approval may be denied if any member of the household of a foster family or prospective adoptive family:

(1) Is awaiting trial, or is on trial, for charges as described in subdivisions (1) through (5) of subsection (a) of this section;

(2) has a criminal record that the department or child placing agency believes makes the home unsuitable; or

(3) has a current child abuse or neglect allegation pending;

(d) No license or approval shall be renewed if the holder of such license or approval knowingly arranges for the substitute care of a child by a person described in subsection (a) or (b) of this section.

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