

WAC 110-04-0020 What definitions apply to WAC 388-06A-0100 through 388-06A-0260 of this chapter? The following definitions apply to WAC 388-06A-0100 through 388-06A-0260 of this chapter:

"Authorized" or **"authorization"** means not disqualified by the department to have unsupervised access to children. This includes persons who are certified, contracted, allowed to receive payments from department funded programs, or volunteer.

"CA" means children's administration, department of social and health services. Children's administration is the cluster of programs within DSHS responsible for the provision of licensing of foster homes, group facilities/programs and child-placing agencies, child protective services, child welfare services, and other services to children and their families.

"Certification" means:

(1) Department approval of a person, home, or facility that does not legally need to be licensed, but wishes to have evidence that they met the minimum licensing requirements.

(2) Department licensing of a child-placing agency to certify and supervise foster home and group care programs.

"Children" means a person who is one of the following:

(1) Under eighteen years old;

(2) Up to twenty-one years of age and pursuing a high school or equivalency course of study (GED/HSEC), or vocational program;

(3) Up to twenty-one years of age and participating in the extended foster care program;

(4) Up to twenty-one years of age and under the custody of the Washington state juvenile rehabilitation administration.

"Civil adjudication proceeding" is a judicial or administrative adjudicative proceeding that results in a finding of, or upholds an agency finding of, domestic violence, abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, abandonment, violation of a professional licensing standard regarding a child or vulnerable adult, or exploitation or financial exploitation of a child or vulnerable adult under any provision of law, including but not limited to chapter 13.34, 26.44 or 74.34 RCW, or rules adopted under chapters 18.51 and 74.42 RCW. "Civil adjudication proceeding" also includes judicial or administrative findings that become final due to the failure of the alleged perpetrator to timely exercise a legal right to administratively challenge such findings.

"Department or DSHS" means the department of social and health services (DSHS).

"DLR" means the division of licensed resources within children's administration. DLR licenses and monitors foster homes, child placing agencies and licensed group care facilities.

"I" and **"you"** refers to anyone who has unsupervised access to children in a home, facility, or program. This includes, but is not limited to, persons seeking employment, a volunteer opportunity, an internship, a contract, certification, or a license for a home or facility.

"Licensor" means either:

(1) A DLR employee who recommends approvals for, or monitors licenses or certifications for facilities and agencies established under this chapter; or

(2) An employee of a child-placing agency who certifies or monitors foster homes supervised by the child-placing agency.

"Unsupervised" means will not or may not be in the presence of:

(1) The licensee, another employee or volunteer from the same business or organization as the applicant who has not been disqualified by the background check; or

(2) Another individual who has been previously approved by children's administration.

"We" refers to the department, including licensors and social workers.

"WSP" refers to the Washington state patrol.

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