

**WAC 110-145-1360 What children may I serve in my group care program?** (1) You may serve children who are at least six years of age and meet one of the following conditions:

(a) Have behaviors that cannot be safely or effectively managed in foster care;

(b) Need temporary placement awaiting a more permanent placement;

(c) Need emergency placement during a temporary disruption of a current placement;

(d) Have emotional, physical, or mental disabilities;

(e) Need a transitional living setting;

(f) Need respite care from a licensed provider; or

(g) Are age sixteen or older and need to acquire independent living skills.

(2) Your program may serve children younger than six years of age if it meets the following criteria:

(a) Provides services to children with intellectual and developmental disabilities;

(b) Provides services to medically fragile children;

(c) Provides services to expectant mothers or parenting youth;

(d) Is licensed as a group receiving center;

(e) Is licensed as an emergency respite center;

(f) Is licensed as a resource and assessment center; or

(g) Is a facility approved and certified under chapter RCW 74.15.020 (2) (m).

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