

**WAC 110-302-0010 License required.** (1) Pursuant to RCW 43.216.295 and 43.216.742, individuals or entities that provide ONB child care services for a group of children who are 30 months through 12 years of age must be licensed by the department, unless the individuals or entities are exempt from licensing under RCW 43.216.010(2) and WAC 110-302-0025.

(2) The department must not license department employees or members of employees' households if employees are involved directly, or in an administrative or supervisory capacity in the:

- (a) Licensing process;
- (b) Placement of children in licensed ONB programs; or
- (c) Authorization of payment for children in care.

(3) In addition to the requirements described in chapter 43.216 RCW and the requirements described in this chapter, applicants must comply with the following ONB child care license requirements:

(a) ONB programs must operate and conduct programming with a philosophy, curriculum, and organizational practices that provide developmentally appropriate early childhood education and nature-based education;

(b) ONB programs must occur outdoors for not less than four hours per day or 50 percent of the daily ONB program hours, whichever is less;

(c) ONB programs must comply with the requirements contained in chapters 43.216 RCW and 110-06 WAC background checks, the Child Care Development Fund at 45 C.F.R. Part 98, and this chapter; and

(d) ONB programs must be offered on a regular and ongoing basis for one or more preschool-age or school-age children not related to the licensee. For purposes of this chapter, "not related" means not any of the relatives listed in RCW 43.216.010 (2)(a).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.216.742. WSR 23-10-059, § 110-302-0010, filed 5/1/23, effective 6/1/23.]