

## Children Services 3/3/2026

### **5 Year Rule Review: 5180:2-7-08**

The Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY) is currently undertaking a five-year review of one foster care rule, in accordance with Ohio law.

This rule requires foster caregivers to provide primary care and get agency approval for any alternative or emergency arrangements. If using licensed child care or respite services, caregivers must confirm and document the provider's current license status.

If you would like to review the existing rule and offer feedback and suggestions, please complete this [form](#) by **March 16, 2026**.

### **5 Year Rule Review: 5180:2-33-29**

The Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY) is currently undertaking a five-year review of one administrative rule, in accordance with Ohio law.

This rule requires agencies to verify a child's U.S. citizenship or qualified immigration status within 60 days of entering foster care and keep documentation in the case record.

If you would like to review the existing rule and offer feedback and suggestions, please complete this [form](#) by **March 16, 2026**.

### **5 Year Rule Review: 5180:2-38-01, 5180:2-38-05 & 5180:2-38-07**

The Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY) is currently undertaking a five-year review of three case planning rules, in accordance with Ohio law.

These rules require agencies to create a family case plan within 30 days whenever providing in-home services or when a child enters custody or protective supervision, ensuring participation from parents, the child, and other key parties. These plans must be filed with the court when required and updated regularly to reflect the child's needs and permanency goals. Private agencies follow the same standards, including additional provisions for infants surrendered for adoption.

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### **5 Year Rule Review: 5180:2-42-20**

The Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY) is currently undertaking a five-year review of one substitute care rule, in accordance with Ohio law.

This rule provides resource families with a formal “bill of rights” ensuring they are treated with dignity and respect, free from discrimination, and supported with training, information about children in their care, and access to agency staff. They’re also entitled to notifications, grievance processes, and guidance during any investigations, though the child’s rights always take precedence.

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**5 Year Rule Review: 5180:2-47-03.1 & 5180:2-47-17**

The Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY) is currently undertaking a five-year review of two Title IV-E rules, in accordance with Ohio law.

These rules mandate that agencies confirm a child’s and foster family’s eligible immigration status before issuing Title IV-E payments, with certain exemptions for qualified non-citizens. Agencies are to follow statewide reimbursement limits for foster and pre-adoptive homes and may claim licensed foster care maintenance reimbursement for employment-related child care or activities when a foster parent attends foster care–related obligations without the child, beyond ordinary parenting responsibilities. Child care costs are managed through Ohio’s Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System (CCWIS).

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