



## Background Screening Requirements for Group Home Employees

Section 409.145(2)(e), Florida Statutes, requires staff employed by licensed residential child-caring agencies to meet the same education, training and background screening requirements as licensed foster parents and their household members.

Required Background Screenings	Frequency of screening	Effective Date
<b>FDLE/FBI Criminal Records (Check through fingerprinting)</b>	Results valid for 5 years	July 1, 1987
<b>Abuse and Neglect History Records Check</b>	Results valid for 12 months	July 1, 2017
<b>Local Criminal Record Checks</b>	Results valid for 12 months	July 1, 1987
<b>911 Call Out History</b>	Results valid for 12 months	October 20, 2016
<b>Florida Sex Offender &amp; Predator Registry Search</b>	Results valid for 12 months	March 6, 2018
<b>Civil Records Check</b>	Results valid for 12 months	July 1, 2013
<b>Out of State Child Abuse and Neglect Records Check (if applicable)</b>	Required if applicant resided out of state within 5 years upon initial hire	July 1, 2013
<b>Out of State Civil Records Check (if applicable)</b>	Required if applicant resided out of state within 5 years upon initial hire	October 20, 2016 <b>No longer effective:</b> April 18, 2019

Required Background Screenings for Household Members Ages 12-17 Years Old	Frequency of screening
<b>DJJ Juvenile Records Check</b>	Results valid for 12 months
<b>Abuse and Neglect Records Check through Florida Safe Families Network (FSFN)</b>	Results valid for 12 months

### Questions or Concerns?

Please contact your DCF Regional Licensing Specialist for assistance.

For details on how to complete these background screenings visit:  
<http://centervideo.forest.usf.edu/video/center/bgscreening/start.html>