

'LEAVE AND RETURN' OPTION

Like many young adults who go out on their own when they turn 18 and then decide to return home, young adults in foster care now have that same option. Young adults can leave foster care on their 18th birthday and enter Extended Foster Care at some later point up to their 21st birthday as long as they meet the eligibility requirements. Once in Extended Foster Care, they may leave and re-enter as many times as they wish, again, as long as they meet the eligibility requirements. When a young adult wants to re-enter Extended Foster Care, he or she must submit an application to the Community-based Care Agency.