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**Policy Transmittal**

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**Number:** CW\_PT\_06\_032  
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**Topic:** Foster Care

**Transmitting (check the box that best applies):**

- New Policy   
  Policy Change   
  Policy Clarification   
  Executive Letter  
 Administrative Rule   
  Manual Update   
  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applies to (check all that apply):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees                        | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services                                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Children, Adults and Families | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors and People with Disabilities                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): Family Group Homes |

Policy/Rule Title:	Family Group Home Standards		
Policy/Rule Number(s):	II-B.2, OAR 413-200-0210 to 413-200-0220	Release No:	
Effective Date:	11/02/06	Expiration:	N/A
References:	ORS 418.005, 418.635		
Web Address:	<a href="http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/childwelfare/manual_2/ii-b2.pdf">http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/childwelfare/manual_2/ii-b2.pdf</a>		

**Discussion/Interpretation:** II-B.2 is being revised to incorporate language formerly part of I-E.4.2.1, Family Foster Group Homes, which will be deleted. OAR 413-200-0210 is amended to update terminology and indicate importance of safety as a purpose of the rule.

These rules have been revised to clarify standards for Family Group Home providers and align the language of these rules with the rule revisions resulting from the recommendations that followed the Governor’s request for a review of Oregon’s child welfare system by the National Resource Center for Child Protective Services (NRCCPS). The rule revisions incorporate a change in the framework that guides child welfare practice and are consistent with the recommendations of the National Resource Center for Child Protective Services.

**Implementation/Transition Instructions:** Family Group Home Providers have been advised of the revisions of these rules. The rules can be implemented effective November 2, 2006.

**Training/Communication Plan:** Child welfare staff and Family Group Home Providers have received notice of these rule changes.

**Local/Branch Action Required:** Review and become familiar with these rules. Provide feedback through written documentation to the contact person listed below.

**Central Office Action Required:** Review and become familiar with these rules. Provide feedback through written documentation to the contact person listed below.

**Field/Stakeholder review:**  Yes  No

**If yes, reviewed by:** Family Group Home Rule writing committee and Policy Council.

**Filing Instructions:**

*If you have any questions about this policy, contact:*

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