

How to become a certified respite provider



Find out more

Call the Oregon Department of Human Services' (ODHS) recruitment partner, Every Child, at 1-800-331-0503. You can also visit Foster.Oregon.gov to learn more.



Training

Complete the Certified Respite Provider Training and knowledge check. Once finished, let your certifier know if you have any questions or concerns.



Submit an application

Submit a completed application to ODHS. A certifier will be assigned to discuss the next steps with you and help with the certification process. Every adult member in your household will need to consent to criminal history and child abuse background checks.



Assessment Process

The assessment process to become a certified respite provider includes:

- Criminal Background Check
- Child Welfare History Check
- Interview & Home Visit – to assess your capacity to meet the safety, health and well-being needs of a child in foster care
- Home & Environment Safety Check



Certification Complete

Once all required paperwork is complete and the application is approved, you will receive a certificate of approval to be a certified respite provider for a two-year period. You are ready to welcome a child or youth into your home and begin supporting families.



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