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Fact sheets (please tick fact sh	heets supplied)			Reference Name:		
Becoming a foster carer	[Foster care allowances		Date of Inquiry:		
Information for Indigenous commu	unities [Information for relative carers		Actioning Officer:		
Information for respite carers	[Legislative requirements for providing quality care		Preferred Times:		
Steps to becoming a foster carer]	Testimonies about foster care		Interviews:		
Other, please specify				Saturdays		
Outcome of Initial Inquiry				Weeknights		
Home interview	[Further consideration		During standard wo	orking hours	
Information session	[Not interested in progressing further		Information session:		
Referred elsewhere:				Saturdays		
Other Child Safety Service	Centre [Fostering Agency		Weeknights		
Fostering Agency name				During standard wo	orking hours	
Other, please specify				Training:		
Initial Inquiry Assessment			7	Saturdays		
Please comment				Weeknights		
Appropriate/Not appropriate				During standard wo	orking hours	



Privacy notice

The Department of Child Safety, Seniors, and Disability Services (Child Safety) is collecting personal information on this form to assist with a preliminary assessment of your expression of interest in becoming approved foster carers. The *Child Protection Act 1999* requires that the Chief Executive be satisfied that an individual carer is a 'suitable person' before granting that individual approval to care for children and young people. A 'suitable person' is defined by the *Child Protection Regulation 2023* as a person who does not pose any risk to the child or young person and who is willing and able to care for the child or young person in a way that meets the standards of care outlined in the Statement of Standards. All information obtained in the assessment process is confidential and strict information storing procedures are followed. Some or all of the personal information may be given to fostering agencies that are funded by the department.

1. Personal details		Pre-applicant	1		Pre-app	licant 2		
Guidelines	Title:		Sex:		Title:		Sex:	
The personal details section of this form records personal details for data collection and use throughout the	Given Name:							
application process. If more than two applicants wish to apply, please	Middle Name/s:							
complete another form.	Family Name:							
Preferred Name:	Preferred Name:							
e.g. given name is Catherine, but person prefers to be called Cathy.	Maiden Name:							
Other names you have been known by: e.g. any alias names, previous marital/partner's names.	Other names you have been known by:							
Address:	Address: Line 1:						Same as Pre	e-applicant 1:
Record details of Building/Property name in Line 1 and street address in	Line 2:							
Line 2. If a separate postal address exists, record details on page 2.	Suburb/Town:							
	State/Territory:		Postcode:				Postcode:	
	Date at the address:							
Telephone:	Telephone: Home:			Primary:				Primary:
Tick the box alongside the number which is considered the primary	Personal Mob			Primary:				Primary:
telephone number.	Work:			Primary:				Primary:
	Work Mobile:			Primary: 🗌				Primary:





	Work Fax:				
	Email:				
1. Personal details (continue	ed)	Pre-applicant 1		Pre-applicant 2	
Guidelines Marital Status: Values for this field are: Married Partnered Single.	Marital Status: Length of Relationship: Relationship to other pre-app Do you have child/ren living Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): Place/Country of Birth: Resident of Australia:		If so, what are the child/n	en's ages?	
Resident of Australia: Values for this field are: Permanent Temporary Non-resident. Ethnicity & Religion: e.g. Ethnicity includes Australian South Sea Islander origin. Australian South Sea Islanders are Australian born descendents of predominantly Melanesian people who were brought to Queensland between 1863 and 1904. They come from around eighty Pacific islands but primarily from Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands.	or Fe	re you of Aboriginal or Torres Strarigin? No Yes, Aboriginal Yes, Torres Strait Islander or persons of both Aboriginal and lander origin, tick both 'Yes' boxes	Torres Strait	Are you of Aboriginal or Torres origin? No Yes, Aboriginal Yes, Torres Strait Islander For persons of both Aboriginal a Islander origin, tick both 'Yes' both	and Torres Strait



Postal Address (if required):					Same as Pre-applicant 1:	
Line 1:						
Suburb/Town:						
State/Territory:		Postcode:			Pos	tcode:



2. Motivation	Pre-applicant 1	Pre-applicant 2 (complete only if different from Pre-applicant 1)
Guidelines Discuss with the pre-applicants the reasons behind their desire to foster.	Have you previously enquired about becoming a foster carer in Queensland or interstate? Yes No	Have you previously enquired about becoming a foster carer in Queensland or interstate? Yes No
Research indicates that fostering for: personal and family needs to fill a gap to create a family, or to generate income may convey potential risks for the child.	If yes, please supply details below:	If yes, please supply details below:
Discuss: the strength of commitment from each pre-applicant the need for supportive relationships, and the expectations for the child placed (may not be met).	How long have you been thinking about fostering?	How long have you been thinking about fostering?
` <u> </u>	What prompted you to contact today?	What prompted you to contact today?



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3. Accommodation	Pre-applicant 1	Pre-applicant 2 (complete only if different from Pre-applicant 1)
3. Accommodation Guidelines Do the pre-applicants consider they have physical space, e.g. study area, play area, for an extra child/ren?	Pre-applicant 1 Current accommodation: House: (please specify) Highset Lowset Other Unit/ Townhouse: (please specify) Lift Stairs only	Current accommodation: House: (please specify) Highset Unit/ Townhouse:
	Is the property: Owned Rented Public housing Other Number of bedrooms: Number of spare beds:	Stairs only Is the property: Owned





4. Preferences	Pre-applicant 1		Pre-applicant 2 (complete of	only if different from Pre-applicant 1)
Guidelines	Do you have a preference for p	providing a particular care type?	Do you have a preference for	or providing a particular care type?
 Explain: the types of care and discuss the pre-applicants' preferences and understanding of the different 	Age:		Age:	
types e.g. age differences, respite etc.	Sex:		Sex:	
that providing care may have a large impact on family and friends, e.g. social activities.	Respite:		Respite:	
that adult family members living in the household will be required to provide consent for 'suitability	Emergency:		Emergency:	
checks' including child protection, criminal, domestic violence and relevant traffic histories.	Short term:		Short term:	
that pre-applicant/s should consider discussing their interest in fostering with an ex-spouse or	Long term:		Long term:	
partner when children from a previous relationship reside in or visit the household.	Children with disabilities:		Children with disabilities:	
	Other comments:		Other comments:	



Have you discussed fostering with significant others?	Have you discussed fostering with significant others?
Partner	Partner
Children	Children
Adult children	Adult children
Family members	Family members
Ex-spouse/Partner	Ex-spouse/Partner



5. Medical/Health	Pre-applicant 1	Pre-applicant 2
Guidelines Advise pre-applicants to complete the Carer Applicant Health and Wellbeing Questionnaire. Explain that children require a stable	Have any medical or health problems been identified as per attached Health and Wellbeing Questionnaire? Yes No	Have any medical or health problems been identified as per attached Health and Wellbeing Questionnaire? Yes No
and supportive placement. Fostering may not be practical if other stresses are impacting on the family at this time. For example, if the pre-applicant is undergoing fertility treatment or is a prospective adoptive parent, then they may wish to consider putting their	Have you applied to become a prospective adoptive parent? Yes No Are you an approved prospective adoptive parent waiting to	Have you applied to become a prospective adoptive parent? Yes No Are you an approved prospective adoptive parent waiting to
fostering application on hold.	adopt a child? Yes No	adopt a child? Yes No No
	If yes, please supply details below:	If yes, please supply details below:







6. Education, employmen	nt & skills	
Guidelines	Pre-applicant 1	
Knowing the level of education may	Level of education: Prima	ry Secondary Tertiary
assist in determining the delivery of	Employment status: Full-tii	me Part-time Casual N/A
the assessment process (i.e. whether self-assessments are appropriate) as	Current employer:	
well as to enable matching of placements.	Employed since: (dd/mm/yyyy)	
N/A for employment status may include unemployed, not in paid employment and/or voluntary work.	Occupation type:	
	Hours of work:	
	Do you receive a pension?	Yes No
	Pension details:	
Discuss with pre-applicant that fostering allowance is not subject to tax and is not cited as income for any purpose, including yearly tax returns, applications for Commonwealth benefits or when applying for loans from financial instittions.		nildren through your employment, please give details: nildren, e.g. children with disabilities, please give details:





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6. Education, employmen	nt & skills							
Guidelines	Pre-applicant 2							
Knowing the level of education may	Level of education:	Primary	Secondary		Tertiary			
assist in determining the delivery of	Employment status:	Full-time	Part-time		Casual	N/A	1	
the assessment process (i.e. whether self-assessments are appropriate) as	Current employer:							
well as to enable matching of placements.	Employed since: (dd/mm/yyyy)							
N/A for employment status may include unemployed, not in paid employment and/or voluntary work.	Occupation type:							
	Hours of work:							
	Do you receive a pension?		Yes		No 🗌		1	
	Pension details:							
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7 Other household members

Family Name	Given & Middle Name/s	Sex	Date of Birth	Relationship to Pre-applicant 1	Relationship to Pre-applicant 2

8. Overall comments





9. Suitability checks	Pre-applicant 1
Guidelines Advise pre-applicant that suitability checks will be conducted on carer applicants as well as other adult members in the household.	Have you had any involvement with the Department of Child Safety or any interstate/international child protection agencies? Yes No Service No
Checks include criminal, domestic violence, traffic and child protection. If a person is known to the department, discuss how, e.g. • in the Child Protection System • as an employee in child related employment • as a former carer • other.	Do you have any criminal history information, including charges laid against you awaiting determination, in Queensland, interstate or internationally? Yes No Street No Street S
Advise pre-applicant that checks include <u>all</u> fines, charges, convictions, spent convictions (longer than ten years ago) and where a person was an aggrieved or respondent to a domestic violence order (protection order).	Do you have any traffic history information, including fines and/or charges laid against you awaiting determination, in Queensland, interstate or internationally? Yes No Service No Servi
Advise pre-applicant that having a history does not necessarily preclude someone from being a carer. Preapplicant will be given an opportunity to discuss history.	
The aggrieved is the person for whose benefit the domestic violence order (protection order) is made and the respondent is the person against whom the domestic violence order is made.	Have you ever been the aggrieved or respondent (see Guidelines for definition) in a domestic and family violence matter, in Queensland, interstate or internationally? Yes No If yes, please supply details below:





9. Suitability checks	Pre-applicant 2
Guidelines Advise pre-applicant that suitability checks will be conducted on carer applicants as well as other adult members in the household.	Have you had any involvement with the Department of Child Safety or any interstate/international child protection agencies? Yes No Service No
Checks include criminal, domestic violence, traffic and child protection. If a person is known to the department, discuss how, e.g. • in the Child Protection System • as an employee in child related employment • as a former carer • other.	Do you have any criminal history information, including charges laid against you awaiting determination, in Queensland, interstate or internationally? Yes No Street No Street S
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