

RFA Conversion Dates –Welfare & Institutions Code 16519.5

REQUIREMENT	ACTION	BY	Date
All licensed foster family homes, approved relatives and NREFMs will need to be converted or deemed a Resource Family in order to care for a foster child	Convert to RFA	No later than	12/31/2019
Provide NOTIFICATION to licensed foster family homes and approved relatives and NREFMs residing within the county: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A detailed description of the RFA program Notification that in order to continue to care for a foster child, Resource Family approval is required by December 31, 2019 Notification that a foster family home license and approval of a relative or NREFM shall be forfeited by operation of law on December 31, 2019 	Notification of RFA Program	No later than	7/1/2017
Licensed foster family homes or approved relatives/NREFMs who have an approved adoption home study prior to January 1, 2018 are deemed to be an approved Resource Family.	There are no additional requirements that will need to be completed to be deemed a Resource Family.	Prior to	1/1/2018
For licensed foster family homes or approved relatives/NREFMs who <u>do not have an approved adoption home study, but have a child placed in the home at any time between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017</u> , the county will need to complete a psychosocial assessment of the family and document the results of the assessment. Upon successful completion of the psychosocial assessment, the family may be approved as a Resource Family.	Complete a psychosocial assessment of the family and document the results of the assessment.	No later than	12/31/2019
All licensed foster family homes that <u>do not have a child in placement at any time between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017</u> shall forfeit their license by operation of law on January 1, 2018. If the family is interested in providing care again for a child or youth in foster care, they will need to apply to be a Resource Family.	License forfeited	On	1/1/2018

* More detailed information about conversion will be forthcoming in an All County Letter

•Counties shall provide NOTIFICATION to licensed foster family homes and approved relatives and NREFMs residing within the county:

- A detailed description of the RFA program
- Notification that in order to continue to care for a foster child, Resource Family approval is required by December 31, 2019
- Notification that a foster family home license and approval of a relative or NREFM shall be forfeited by operation of law on December 31, 2019

No later
than July 1,
2017

•Licensed foster family homes or approved relatives/NREFMs who have an **approved** adoption home study prior to January 1, 2018 are deemed to be an approved Resource Family.

•There are no additional requirements that will need to be completed to be deemed a Resource Family.

Prior to
January 1,
2018

•For licensed foster family homes or approved relatives/NREFMs who **do not** have an approved adoption home study, but have a child placed in the home at any time between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017, the county will need to complete a psychosocial assessment of the family and document the results of the assessment.

•Upon successful completion of the psychosocial assessment, the family may be approved as a Resource Family.

Before
January 1, 2018

•All licensed foster family homes that **do not** have a child in placement at any time between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017 shall forfeit their license by operation of law on January 1, 2018.

•If the family is interested in providing care again for a child or youth in foster care, they will need to apply to be a Resource Family.

By January 1,
2018

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• All approved relatives/NREFMs must convert to RFA.

By December
31, 2019

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