

## Red Tape Review Rule Report (Due: September 1, 2026)

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| <b>Department Name:</b> | Health and Human Services | <b>Date:</b>                         | 7/2/26                                                               | <b>Total Rule Count:</b>                   | 9   |
| <b>IAC #:</b>           | 441                       | <b>Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):</b> | 117                                                                  | <b>Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:</b> | 237 |
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### What is the intended benefit of the rule?

These rules set forth the requirements for foster parent orientation, preservice training and in-service training. These rules are meant to ensure that the training and orientation are effective in preparing foster parents for their role. These rules also describe the standards for training and orientation and the procedure to be approved as a training provider.

### Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

In SFY26, there were 429 potential foster families who started pre-service trainings to become licensed foster care homes, and a total of 623 new foster families were licensed.

### What are the costs incurred by the public to comply with the rule?

There are no costs incurred by the public to comply with this rule.

### What are the costs to the agency or any other agency to implement/enforce the rule?

There are no other implementation or enforcement costs aside from personnel expenses.

### Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

The creation of certification standards for comprehensive children's residential facilities is required by Iowa Code chapter 237.

### Are there less restrictive alternatives to accomplish the benefit? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If YES, please list alternative(s) and provide analysis of less restrictive alternatives from other states, if applicable. If NO, please explain.

The creation of certification standards for comprehensive children's residential facilities is required by Iowa Code chapter 237.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language? [list chapter/rule number(s) that fall under any of the above categories]

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N/A

**RULES PROPOSED FOR REPEAL (list rule number[s]):**

**RULES PROPOSED FOR RE-PROMULGATION (list rule number[s] or include rule text if available):**

117.1 through 117.9

***\*For rules being re-promulgated with changes, you may attach a document with suggested changes.***

#### METRICS

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| Total number of rules repealed:                                                     | N/A   |
| Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation                   | 1,114 |
| Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation | 26    |

**ARE THERE ANY STATUTORY CHANGES YOU WOULD RECOMMEND INCLUDING CODIFYING ANY RULES?**

No.