

The foster care recruitment process

Give Quantum
a call on
1800 243 455

Step 1. First contact with foster care agency

To submit a foster care enquiry, call Quantum Support Services on 1800 243 455. This is a great opportunity to ask any questions you have and provide us with information about your household.

Step 2. Information session

You will be invited to attend an information session or exchange held either at the agency or in your own home.

Step 3. Paperworks and checks

All adults in the household will have to complete a Health Check, Police Check, a Working with Children Check and referee checks. You will also be asked to write your life story. Your agency will provide support in completing these tasks.

Step 4. Training

To help you prepare you will undertake compulsory training, offered at various dates and times that suit your schedule.

Step 5. Home visits and assessments

A representative from your foster care agency will come to your home to complete assessment interviews, and ensure the home is safe, secure and has enough space to care for a child.

Step 6. Accreditation panel

A report of your training and assessment is sent to an accreditation panel for approval. The panel includes staff from your foster care agency and at least one representative from the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing.

Step 7. Accreditation and review

Approval is granted by your foster care agency and you will be asked to sign a code of conduct agreement. You will then be accredited for an initial 12 month period. Your accreditation is reviewed annually.

Step 8. Placement

Your agency will contact you to ask if you're able to have a child, young person or sibling group stay with you. This final step is known as placement.

