

Foster Parent Questionnaire

Interview Details	
Program name:	Interviewer:
Name of foster parent(s):	Date/time of interview:
Date foster parent(s) began working with UAC program:	License Type & Bed capacity:

*Note: Before beginning the interview, provide a brief introduction, including monitor role and purpose of monitoring visit, confidentiality of interview, and clarify any questions. See *Introduction Prompt for Staff* for additional guidance as needed.

Questions in **bold** should be asked during the interview if possible. Other questions are optional prompts to assist the interviewer. These questions are NOT intended to be asked verbatim. Ask questions that help establish rapport. The UC monitor should ask individualized interview questions based upon the UC case file review and the circumstances of the inspection.

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Why did you choose to become a foster parent through this agency?	
Tell me about your role and main responsibilities as a foster parent.	
What is the best part about being a foster parent? What is the most challenging part about being a foster parent?	
What information did you receive about the UC program when you became a foster parent?	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do you think the information you received adequately prepared you to work with this population? 	
<p>Has the training you have received adequately prepared you for your role as a foster parent? If not, please explain.</p> <p>Are there additional trainings you think would be beneficial for foster parents to receive?</p>	
<p>Tell me about the foster parent meetings. Does the program provide opportunities to participate in foster parent support groups? If so, what topics are covered during the meetings?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How often are meetings held? • Whom do you meet with? • How can foster parents provide feedback to the program? • Are program staff helpful when you request support/assistance? 	
<p>Tell me about how you typically handle behavior problems in the home.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do you have established foster home rules that have been provided to the children in your home? • What kind of discipline do you use with the children? • Are you allowed to use restraints? Please elaborate. • How does the program help you handle behavior problems? 	
<p>What does <i>trauma-informed care</i> mean to you?</p>	
<p>How many kids do you care for on a regular basis? Do you care for any non-UC children (e.g., URM, home daycare, domestic foster care)?</p>	
<p>What information did you receive on the UC's individual service needs prior to his/her placement in your home</p>	

<p>(e.g. education, health, dietary, religious, etc.)?</p> <p>Were you provided with a pre-placement call?</p>	
<p>How has the child (or children) in your home adapted to foster care life?</p>	
<p>Tell me about the home visits from case managers or other program staff.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How often do staff make home visits? • What happens during these visits? 	
<p>Are you involved and/or provided updates on UC service plans (education, recreation, independent living/post-18, mental health, etc.)? If so, please explain.</p>	
<p>What types of activities do UC participate in (i.e. recreational, leisure, religious, independent living, etc.)?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tell me about activities you have done with the UC this week. 	
<p>Do you receive a stipend for each child? Is the stipend sufficient to cover all necessary costs?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do you receive the stipend on time? 	
<p>How would you handle medical/mental health issues with UC in the home?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With whom would you talk to and how would you respond to the concern? • How would you address a mental health emergency or crisis situation in home (ask for examples)? 	
<p>If a child in your home needed to report abuse or maltreatment, how would they report it (i.e. access to landline/cell phone etc.)?</p>	
<p>What do you see as the strengths of the foster care program? What do you see as an area of improvement?</p>	
<p>What recommendations do you have for ORR that I can</p>	

take back to share with our headquarter teams?	
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Additional Notes

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