



Practice Alert

License and Approval Certificate

License and Approval certificates for foster homes are issued from Central Office. [Statute 210.481- 210.536](#) gives the authority to grant licenses and approvals for foster care to the Children's Division. **Local offices do not issue the certificate.**

A certificate is printed at Central Office in Jefferson City for each new license or approval, renewed license or approval, and when there is an update to the information included on the certificate. Certificates are then mailed to local county offices for distribution.

The certificate that is available for print in FACES is not a valid, official certificate.

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