Coming into care

Coming "into care" can sometimes be scary. By letting you know what you can expect from us, and what we expect from you, we hope that you will not be so nervous.



Many events have been happening in your life recently, and these have probably left you confused and upset. We want to help you sort out some of these events so that you have a better understanding of what is happening to you.

Everyone at Peel Children's Aid has your best interests at heart, but we can not do it alone and we need your help and cooperation.

What we can provide for you

- a safe, secure place to live
- appropriate clothing
- medical and dental care
- a full explanation of your rights while in our care
- supportive counselling
- a visit from your social worker within seven days of arrival at this home and on a regular basis after that
- to be heard—if you have complaints or comments, we will listen to you

We will:

- recognize you as a very important person
- work with your foster parents and social worker to help you with any problems you may have
- help you learn that there are consequences when you have a hard time controlling your behaviour
- show you a better way to behave
- not use any physical punishment (no spanking, shoving, shaking, deprivations, etc.)

Things that are not acceptable while you are in care

- having weapons, including pocket knives
- alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco of any kind
- close, intimate contact between residents
- physical violence
- stealing
- running away



Please remember that each home will have specific expectations and rules.

We also ask that

- you follow the rules of the home (talk with your social worker and foster parents about the house rules)
- you accept responsibility for your own actions, and follow through on any consequences given
- you look after your personal hygiene and grooming
- you respect your belongings and the belongings of other people in the home
- you show respect for other people regardless of race, colour, culture, religion, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability
- you discuss your situation openly and honestly with your social worker including any family visit plans
- you request permission and/or inform your foster parents of your whereabouts and/or destination prior to going out (depending on which is expected in your foster home)
- you behave in an appropriate manner, both in the home and in the community

We plan to provide you with the best care possible during your stay with Peel Children's Aid. We hope that you feel comfortable with us and that we can help you work though any problems you may have.

Your social worker is:

Our vision

Every child cherished

Our mission

To ensure the safety and well being of children and strengthen families through partnership

Our values

Collaboration and Diversity
Accountability to the children, families
and community we serve
Respect and compassion
Excellence, learning and innovation

In a supportive environment – WE CARE



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