

## **Bethany Christian Services' Respite Care Policy & Procedure**

In compliance with WAC 388-148-1066 (see below) to ensure child safety and to protect all parties from liability, the following forms must be completed and in the possession of both the respite care providers and the agency supervising the respite provider's home prior to respite care being provided:

1. Information Required for Respite Care form (see attached).
2. Signed Acknowledgement of Reporting Requirements (see attached).

These forms must be completed in all respite care situations, including borrowed beds.

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**WAC 388-148-1066 What written information is needed before a child is accepted for care by a child-placing agency?** Before accepting a child for care from a parent or legal guardian, a child-placing agency must obtain the following written consent and information from the parent or legal guardian:

- (1) Permission from the child's parent or legal guardian authorizing the placement of the child;
- (2) Permission to seek emergency medical care or surgery on behalf of the child;
- (3) Permission to transport the child;
- (4) Basic family information, including address, telephone numbers, and emergency contacts; and
- (5) Basic medical information, including current medication, immunization history (if available), known allergies, and at-risk behaviors of the child.

[Statutory Authority: RCW [74.15.030](#) and chapter [74.15](#) RCW. 04-08-073, § 388-148-1066, filed 4/5/04, effective 5/6/04.]