

PROCESS TO BECOME A FOSTER CARER

**Submit your Application
to be a Foster Carer**

**NOTE: 12 weeks for the
following process to be
completed**

You will be invited
to complete carer
training

An Out of Home Care Assessor will
contact you to make a time to meet
and discuss the next steps.

DCF will meet with you in your home to complete all mandatory screening checks.
After this meeting, an agreed time and venue to commence the full assessment will be made.

**FULL FOSTER CARER ASSESSMENT WILL BE COMPLETED BY DCF
(Generally two-three visits)**

DCF will explain to you the next steps in the process

A Foster Carer Assessment Report will be completed
and signed off by DCF

If DCF has any issues or concerns with the report,
the Assessor will arrange another visit or phone call
for clarification.

If you are **approved** as a Foster Carer, you will be
advised by phone and in writing of the assessment
outcome.

If your application is **unsuccessful**, you can provide
written advice to the Regional Executive Director within
four weeks for your assessment to be reviewed.

Your details as a new
Authorised Foster Carer for
DCF will be put into the
DCF database

A child is placed with you as
an authorised Foster Carer