

**ADULT FOSTER CARE FACILITY LICENSING ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 218 of 1979**

**400.711 Inspections; visitations; administration and enforcement of rules; reports; final determination as to license; public inspection of reports; biannual inspection report for certain entities.**

Sec. 11. (1) The director, the director's agent, or personnel of another department or agency, acting at the request of the director, may enter upon the premises of an applicant or licensee at a reasonable time to make inspections, as permitted by applicable law, to determine whether the applicant or licensee is complying with this act and the rules promulgated under this act. On-site inspections may be conducted without prior notice to the adult foster care facility. A health and sanitation inspection of an adult foster care facility shall be conducted upon the request of the department by 1 of the following:

- (a) Department staff.
- (b) The department of health and human services.
- (c) A local health department.

(2) The bureau of fire services created in section 1b of the fire prevention code, 1941 PA 207, MCL 29.1b, or local authorities, in carrying out this act, may visit an adult foster care facility more often than annually to advise in matters affecting health or fire protection. Inspections must be made as permitted by law.

(3) An adult foster care facility must be inspected for fire safety by 1 of the following:

(a) Department staff, if the facility is licensed or proposed to be licensed for 6 or fewer adults. The department may request that a fire safety inspection be performed by or at the direction of the bureau of fire services, for a facility licensed or proposed to be licensed for 6 or fewer adults, if that inspection would result in the efficient administration of this act.

(b) The bureau of fire services or the designated representative of the bureau of fire services, if the facility is licensed or proposed to be licensed for more than 6 adults. The bureau of fire services must inspect or have inspected for fire safety an adult foster care facility licensed or proposed to be licensed for 6 or fewer adults upon request by the department. The bureau of fire services may contract with the fire marshal of a city having a population of not less than 600,000 to inspect adult foster care facilities licensed or proposed to be licensed for more than 6 adults if the facility is located within that city. The fire marshal of a city must conduct an inspection in compliance with procedures established and on forms provided by the bureau of fire services.

(4) Except as provided in subsection (3)(b) and section 10(2), the inspector must administer and enforce the rules promulgated by the department.

(5) Upon receipt of a request from an adult foster care facility for certification of a specialized program for developmentally disabled or mentally ill adults, the department must inspect the facility to determine whether the proposed specialized program conforms with the requirements of applicable law and rules. The department must provide the department of health and human services with an inspection report and a certification, denial of certification, or certification with limited terms for the proposed specialized program. The department must reinspect a certified specialized program not less than once biennially. In carrying out this subsection, the department may contract with a county community mental health board or any other agency for services.

(6) Inspection reports required by this section must be furnished to the department and shall be used in the evaluation for licensing of an adult foster care facility. The department must consider the reports carefully and may make special consultations if necessary. The department is responsible for the final determination of the issuance, denial, or revocation and the temporary or provisional nature of a license issued to an adult foster care facility. A report of the department's findings must be furnished to the licensee or applicant.

(7) The inspection reports required by this section shall be available for public inspection during reasonable business hours.

(8) The department shall submit biannual reports to the appropriation subcommittees for the department, the senate and house fiscal agencies, and the state budget director containing a summary of input from individuals who perform inspections for entities regulated by the bureau of community and health systems, or a successor agency within the department. The feedback and input must be regarding the adequacy of federal and state guidelines pertaining to the areas that the individual inspects for the entities described in this section. The summary must include details of the feedback excluding information that identifies the inspectors providing the feedback. The summary may be cumulative in nature, but must be understandable to the general public.

**History:** 1979, Act 218, Eff. Mar. 27, 1980;—Am. 1986, Act 257, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987;—Am. 1992, Act 176, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1992;—Am. 2006, Act 201, Imd. Eff. June 19, 2006;—Am. 2016, Act 525, Eff. Apr. 9, 2017;—Am. 2022, Act 118, Imd. Eff. June 24, 2022.  
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**Compiler's note:** For transfer of powers and duties of the fire marshal division programs relating to plan review and construction inspections of schools, colleges, universities, school dormitories, as well as adult foster care, correctional, and health care facilities, from the department of state police to the department of consumer and industry services, see E.R.O. No. 1997-2, compiled at MCL 29.451 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

For transfer of powers and duties of state fire marshal to department of labor and economic growth, bureau of construction codes and fire safety, by type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011.

For transfer of powers and duties of the bureau of family services from the department of consumer and industry services to the family independence agency by Type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011.

For transfer of powers and duties of adult foster care licensing advisory council to the family independence agency by Type II transfer, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011.

For transfer of powers and duties pertaining to adult foster care, adult foster care facility, adult foster care camp, adult camp, adult foster care family home, and adult foster care group home licensing and regulation from department of human services to department of licensing and regulatory affairs, see E.R.O. No. 2015-1, compiled at MCL 400.227.

For transfer of powers and duties pertaining to children's camp, child care center, day care center, family day care home, and group day care home licensing and regulation from department of human services to department of licensing and regulatory affairs, see E.R.O. No. 2015-1, compiled at MCL 400.227.

**Administrative rules:** R 400.1401 et seq.; R 400.1601 et seq.; R 400.2101 et seq.; and R 400.11101 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.