

ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
QUESTIONS & ANSWERS REGARDING
RFP # 2026-026VF: AFTERHOURS EMERGENCY FOSTER CARE SERVICES

QUESTION		ANSWER
1.	What is the process for providing these services?	Generally, when After-Hours CPS gets a call after normal business hours, and has to remove a child immediately, they will call one of the Afterhours Emergency Foster Care Providers to provide a very short-term placement (usually 1-3 days) until a more permanent placement can be made. Children still must get a physical assessment, but are not placed long enough to require psychological assessments.
2.	What is the current need for these services?	It varies. There are times when we have one home and one back up home, both full. Some days none. Unfortunately, the trend is more kids coming in to care, so the need is there.
3.	What needs to be included on the budget?	The budget form will walk you through what needs to be included. Basically wages/salaries, fringe benefits, program expenses, administrative costs. Program costs can be itemized under the "other" category if they are not specifically listed.