# **Information Resource Caregivers are Entitled To**

Information about your foster child and the case plan is necessary for you to have so that you can provide the best care for each child in your home. Resource caregivers and relative caregivers are entitled to the following information at the time a child is placed in the home:

#### Health/Medical Information:

- · Hospital Reports
- Doctor /EPSDT Reports
- Developmental screenings
- Occupational/Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy Report

### Psycho/Social Information:

- Psychological evaluation on child
- Multidisciplinary Team Report
- Therapy/Counseling Progress Reports

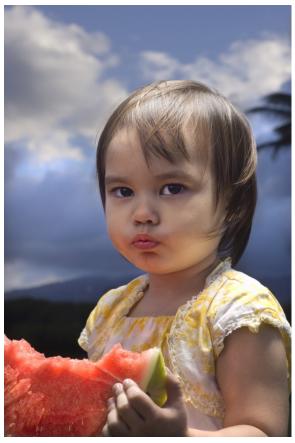
#### **Educational Information:**

- IEP
- Report Cards
- · School Reports

## Safe Family Home Report (SFHR)

If the SFHR is available at the time of placement, it will be in the Child's Information Folder (CIF).

If above information is not available at the time of placement, the child's DHS worker will provide it to you later. If the information is not provided in a reasonable amount of time, you can request it from the child's DHS case worker or from your licensing worker.



In addition to the information provided at the time of initial placement, resource caregivers and relative caregivers are also entitled to the following information throughout the duration of the case:

- Court order when the court order involves the resource caregiver. An example would be when the court grants the resource caregiver permission to travel outside of the state with the child for vacation. While you will not be able to get the actual court report, you should have access to the SFHR that is updated every 6 months and any other updated information on the child. You can ask the SW for that.
- All of the child's medical, educational, and mental health reports. This applies only information
  regarding the child. Reports having to do with the child's parent are NOT shared with the resource caregiver.

*Note:* Resource caregivers and relative caregivers are required by law to keep all information about a foster child's case strictly **confidential.** 

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