**Section 301.10 Purpose**

The purpose of this Subpart is to describe the substitute care services provided by the Department or its contractual agencies when it is in the best interests of children to be placed apart from their parents or guardians. Included in this Subpart is an explanation of:

a) the conditions under which children are placed in substitute care;

b) the types of substitute care settings in which children are placed;

c) the criteria used for selecting a placement; and

d) other legal and service requirements that must be fulfilled when placing children.

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