**Section 403.17 Agency Supervision of the Group Home**

a) The supervising child welfare agency shall designate a program administrator to provide ongoing program administration, personnel administration and monitoring of the group home's operation. The program administrator shall possess a Master’s degree in social work from an accredited school of social work or an academically equivalent Master’s degree in a human services field from an accredited school and 2 years of full-time supervisory experience in a social work or human services setting.

b) Supervision shall include on-site visitation and on-site conferences with personnel employed at the home at least twice a month. Visits at the home shall include contact with children to determine the child's view of the program.

c) The supervising child welfare agency shall be responsible for providing and maintaining qualified staff as specified in this Part.

d) The supervising child welfare agency shall assure that all persons connected in any way with the group home are of reputable character.

e) The child care supervisor position, the group home case management supervisor position and the program administrator position are distinct and separate from each other.

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