



## **Expectations for Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTP)**

*Per the Family First Prevention Services Act*

**Maine Office of Child and Family Services (OCFS)**

### QRTP PROGRAMS MUST:

1. Be licensed as a child caring institution and accredited by at least one of five federally approved accreditors:
  - a. The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF),
  - b. Council on Accreditation (COA),
  - c. The Joint Commission (formerly JCAHO),
  - d. Family Teaching Model (FTM),
  - e. Educational Assessment Guidelines, Leading towards Excellence (EAGLE)
2. Conduct criminal records checks, including fingerprint-based checks of national crime information database on any adult working in the child-care institution.
3. Use a trauma-informed treatment model.
4. Have licensed clinical staff who are on-site in accordance with the trauma informed treatment model and are available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.
5. Have licensed or registered nursing staff who are on-site in accordance with the trauma informed treatment model and are available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.
6. Demonstrate family engagement and outreach, including siblings, in the child's treatment.
7. Provide discharge planning and family-based aftercare supports for at least six months post-discharge.
8. Facilitate participation of family member(s) in the child's treatment program to include the child's siblings.
9. Documents how the outreach is made and maintains contact information for any known biological family and fictive kin on the child.
10. Documents how family members are integrated into the treatment process for the child, including post discharge, and how sibling connections are maintained.
11. Meet detailed assessment, case planning, documentation, judicial determinations and ongoing review and permanency hearing requirements for a child in DHHS care.