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§10:122C-6.7 Pets

(a) The resource family parent shall ensure that pets kept in the home pose no danger to the health, safety or well-being of a child in placement.

(b) The resource family parent shall ensure that all pets kept in the home are:

1. Domesticated and non-aggressive;

2. Vaccinated, if applicable, as prescribed by law or as recommended by a licensed veterinarian. The record of the vaccinations shall be maintained in the home, along with the name and address of the licensed veterinarian providing care for the pet;

3. If sick, removed from the areas occupied by the child in placement, until the pet has been examined by a licensed veterinarian who verifies that the pet does not present a risk to the child; and

4. Effectively controlled by leash, command or cage.

(c) The resource family parent shall ensure that animal waste is disposed of in a sanitary manner.

(d) If the child in placement is a pregnant adolescent, the resource family parent shall prohibit the child from cleaning a cat's litter box.