**Section 403.6 Provisions Pertaining to the License**

a) A group home license is valid for four years unless revoked by the Department or voluntarily surrendered by the licensee.

b) The number of children admitted to the group home shall not exceed the license capacity.

c) Children under 18 years of age whose parents, guardians, custodians, or other person(s) responsible for their care serve as staff members maintaining a residence in the group home shall be included in determining the license capacity if they:

1) live in the same quarters as children accepted for care; or

2) have been admitted for direct care by the group home on the same basis as other children.

d) If children whose parents, guardians, custodians, or other person(s) responsible for their care serve as staff members, maintain a residence in the group home or have regular access to the children accepted for care, a background check, as required by 89 Ill. Adm. Code 385, Background Checks, shall be conducted on all children age 13 and over.

e) The following changes in licensing status shall occur only upon prior approval of the Department:

1) the age or characteristics of children served;

2) the licensed capacity; and

3) the area within the group home used for children.

f) The license shall not be transferred or transmitted to another person or other legal entity.

g) The license shall not be valid for a name or an address different than the name and address shown on the license.

h) The license shall be displayed on the premises.

i) There shall be no fee or charge for the license.

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