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Title 22@ Social Security

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Division 6@ Licensing of Community Care Facilities

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Chapter 8.8@ Foster Family Agencies

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Article 7@ Continuing Requirements

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Section 88068.4@ Removal and/or Discharge Procedures

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The foster family agency shall develop, maintain and implement written policies and procedures governing a child's removal and/or discharge from a certified family home or licensed foster family home. (1) Child, age and maturity permitting, and his/her authorized representative(s) shall receive copies of the procedures. (2) Copies of the procedures, signed by the child's authorized representative(s), shall be maintained in the child's record.

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The foster family agency shall ensure that the child, age and maturity permitting, and his/her authorized representative(s) are offered the opportunity to participate in the development of a discharge plan for the child.

(c)

If the foster family agency determines that it cannot continue to meet the needs of the child, the foster family agency shall notify the authorized representative(s)

of the determination and provide written notification that the child shall be removed within seven days.

(d)

The foster family agency shall not prevent the child's removal from the certified family home or licensed foster family home under emergency circumstances by an authorized person. (1) Emergency circumstances include, but are not limited to: (A) Removal by law enforcement officer(s) when a child is arrested or when the child(ren) in the home is endangered by his/her continued presence in the home. (B) Removal for emergency medical or psychiatric care. (C) Relocation by the child's authorized representative(s).

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