

### QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF PRIOR TO ACCEPTING A PLACEMENT

- If I need to, can I take off of work this week?
- Is there an upcoming trip for work or fun within the month that would result in the child going into respite?
- Are there multiple things going on this week that would prevent me from dedicating all of my time to this child?
- Are my other children and their schedules in a place to take in another child?
- Are my family partners available to assist me?
- Can I meet the needs of the child long term if placement becomes more permanent? (Do I have the space, time, vehicle large enough, etc.)

### QUESTIONS TO ASK THE WORKER PRIOR TO ACCEPTING A PLACEMENT

- Is this the child's first placement? If not, how many placements? Why were they removed from those homes? What is the child's goal? Do the parent's visit weekly?
- Does the child have any medical needs?
- So that I can start to understand this child's needs, what challenging behaviors have you or the current or previous caregivers seen?
- Does the child have allergies? (especially if you have a pet)
- Where does the child go to school/daycare?
- Are there any appointments or court this week?
- Does the child have siblings?
- If temporary, what is DCFS's plan?