

Introduction to Child Care Health & Safety Training

Transportation Safety



Before You Transport Child Care Children:

- Review the transportation rules for the type of child care you provide (regulated subsidy, registered family, certified family or certified center);
- Ensure children are always supervised by the appropriate number of qualified caregivers;
- Make sure all parents have given permission for their child to be transported;
- Have a copy of each child's emergency contact information and authorization to seek medical treatment to take anytime the children leave the facility.
- Verify potential drivers have a safe driving record.

Drivers

When transporting children, a safe driver has:

- A valid driver's license and is covered by insurance;
- Current certification in first aid/CPR; and
- Verified proper use of safety seats and seat belts for the age/weight of each child.

The Vehicle

If you transport child care children be sure:

- The vehicle has a complete first aid kit;
- Safety features on the vehicle work properly (blinkers, headlights, brakes, seatbelts, etc.); and
- The vehicle meets all of Oregon's transportation laws.

Vehicular Traffic

All caregivers must protect children from vehicular traffic. Make sure that:

- Toddlers and preschool age children leave the vehicle on the same side of the street as the building they will enter.
- Drop off and pick up only happens at a location protected from traffic.
- Any adult who supervises drop-off and loading can see the child and assure they are clear of all vehicles before the vehicle moves.

Plan ahead for safe transportation!