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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DATE: January 26, 2026

TO: Children's Residential Facilities

FROM: Tara Ragland
Director, Division of Licensing Programs

SUBJECT: Notice of Public Comment to Amend Regulation 22VAC40-151,
Standards for Licensed Children's Residential Facilities.

The Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) is providing notice of its intent to amend regulation 22VAC40-151, *Standards for Licensed Children's Residential Facilities*. The purpose of this regulatory action is to align the regulation with current state and federal laws, clarify existing language, and incorporate necessary technical edits.

The proposed regulation is available for review on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall website under the [Proposed Stage](#).

The amendments to *Standards for Licensed Children's Residential Facilities*, 22VAC40-151, will be published in the *Virginia Register of Regulations* on January 26, 2026, in Issue 12, Volume 42. The public comment forum will remain open through March 27, 2026.

Comments on the proposed regulation may be submitted through the Regulatory Town Hall at www.townhall.virginia.gov; by mail to Alisa Foley, Licensing Consultant, Virginia Department of Social Services, Division of Licensing Programs, 5600 Cox Road, Glen Allen, Virginia 23060; by fax at (804) 726-7132; or by email at a.foley@dss.virginia.gov.

VDSS encourages all interested parties to review the proposed amendments and provide comments during the designated public comment period.