

Contractor Agency Description and Requirements (Exceeding State Foster Home Licensing Rules or Contract)

1. ADCS will be updating the www.azkidsneedu.gov website with contractor information. Describe your agency and its specialties. Include your agency website url and contact information. Do not exceed 500 words.

VisionQuest is a comprehensive national youth services organization that adheres to the highest professional standards in providing innovative interventions and trauma informed and evidence based services to children and families. VisionQuest as a Child Placing Agency for Foster Care places youth between the ages of zero to seventeen. Youth comprised of males and females will find permanency through highly trained, licensed and supported foster families. The program is designed to foster transferable skills through a variety of therapeutic interventions, and a small family setting. VisionQuest is committed to evidence supported and evidence based practices and incorporates a number of these components into the daily milieu, including Sanctuary Model of Trauma Informed Care, Ansell Casey Life Skills, as well as gender specific curriculums. VisionQuest is committed to helping foster families provide a safe and supportive environment, positive relationships, skills-based programming. VisionQuest provides training to adoptive and foster parents using the AZPS-MAPP and Deciding Together curricula.

At VisionQuest, children are safe, valued and honored, families are respected and supported, and communities are protected, impacted and involved.



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2. List and describe in detail any specific agency requirements or expectations of your agency that exceed the State foster home licensing rules or the requirements within this contract. This may include additional requirements regarding pets or pool fences, for example. Also include anything that may be considered added value, such as offering additional respite hours or a faith-based perspective.

| Name of Additional Requirement or Expectation | Is this Required? Yes or No | Reason |
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| Pool Safety | Yes | If children use a foster family's pool, a family member who monitors the pool usage will be required to complete a water safety course. |
| Fire Safety | Yes | If a foster family is in a two story home, the family will be required to have and maintain a fire safety ladder. |
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