



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 173-9-02 Background checks: paid direct-care positions: applicability.

Effective: August 1, 2017

(A) Applicability: Chapter 173-9 of the Administrative Code (the chapter) applies to every every paid direct-care position unless this rule states otherwise. (ODA defined "direct-care position" in rule 173-9-01 of the Administrative Code.)

(B) Limited applicability: Although the chapter applies to any a person who is an applicant (pre-hire) for a paid direct-care position, a person who is an employee in one of the following paid direct-care positions is not required to undergo subsequent (post-hire) database reviews and criminal records checks:

(1) A direct-care position that only delivers home-delivered meals.

(2) A direct-care position that only has access to one or more consumers' (or individuals') personal records (e.g., a position in an office, kitchen, or central monitoring station).

(3) A direct-care position that only provides a one-time chore service, home maintenance, home modification, home repair, or pest control. If the person provides a subsequent episode of service to the same consumer (or individual) or to another consumer (or individual) who is enrolled in an ODA-administered program, the person shall undergo subsequent (post-hire) database reviews and criminal records checks.

(C) Inapplicability: The chapter does not apply to the following positions:

(1) A volunteer position.

(2) A position that solely involves transporting consumers or individuals while working for a county transit system, regional transit authority, or regional transit commission.

(3) A position that involves providing legal services.



(4) A position in a residential care facility.

(5) A position providing medicare-certified home health services.

(6) A position that only serves individuals who are enrolled in an ODM-administered medicaid waiver program.

(D) No implied factors: Whether a position is supervised or unsupervised, alone or never alone, enters a home or never enters a home, regulated elsewhere or not regulated elsewhere is not a factor that determines if the chapter applies to the position.

(E) Chief administrators: Requirements in the chapter for responsible parties of area agencies on aging, PASSPORT administrative agencies, agency providers, consumers, individuals, and agency sub-contractors to request, review, or retain criminal records are requirements of each responsible party's chief administrator or any person that the chief administrator designates for these tasks.