

Coming Off the Department's Child Abuse and Neglect Registry

Except as noted below, any individual whose name has been placed on the Child Abuse and Neglect Registry as a result of final decision rendered by the Administrative Hearings Unit may file an application with the Department of Children and Children for removal of the individual's name from the Registry.

The application shall include information that demonstrates changed conditions exist from the time the Applicant was placed on the Registry. Evidence of changed conditions includes, but is not limited to:

- Documentation about services that the Applicant engaged in from the time the Applicant was placed on the Registry to the present;
- Recommendation letters concerning the Applicant;
- Information concerning the Applicant's involvement with the criminal justice system from the time the Applicant was placed on the Registry to the present;
- Information concerning the Applicant's involvement with the Department of Children and Families from the time the Applicant was placed on the Registry to the present.

The burden of proof is on the Applicant to demonstrate changed conditions by preponderance of the evidence.

The Applicant may not file an application for removal from the Registry earlier than two years from the date of the final decision issued by the Administrative Hearings Unit placing the Applicant on the Registry. If the Applicant is denied a modification request, the Applicant may not file again until two years from the date of the final decision denying the removal from the Registry.