

R430-50-1: LEGAL AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

The authority to enforce licensing rules and the purpose of these rules is explained in this section.

- (1) **This rule is enacted and enforced in accordance with Utah Code, Title 26, Chapter 39.**
- (2) **This rule establishes the foundational standards necessary to protect the health and safety of children in residential child care facilities and defines the general procedures and requirements to obtain and maintain a certificate to provide residential child care.**

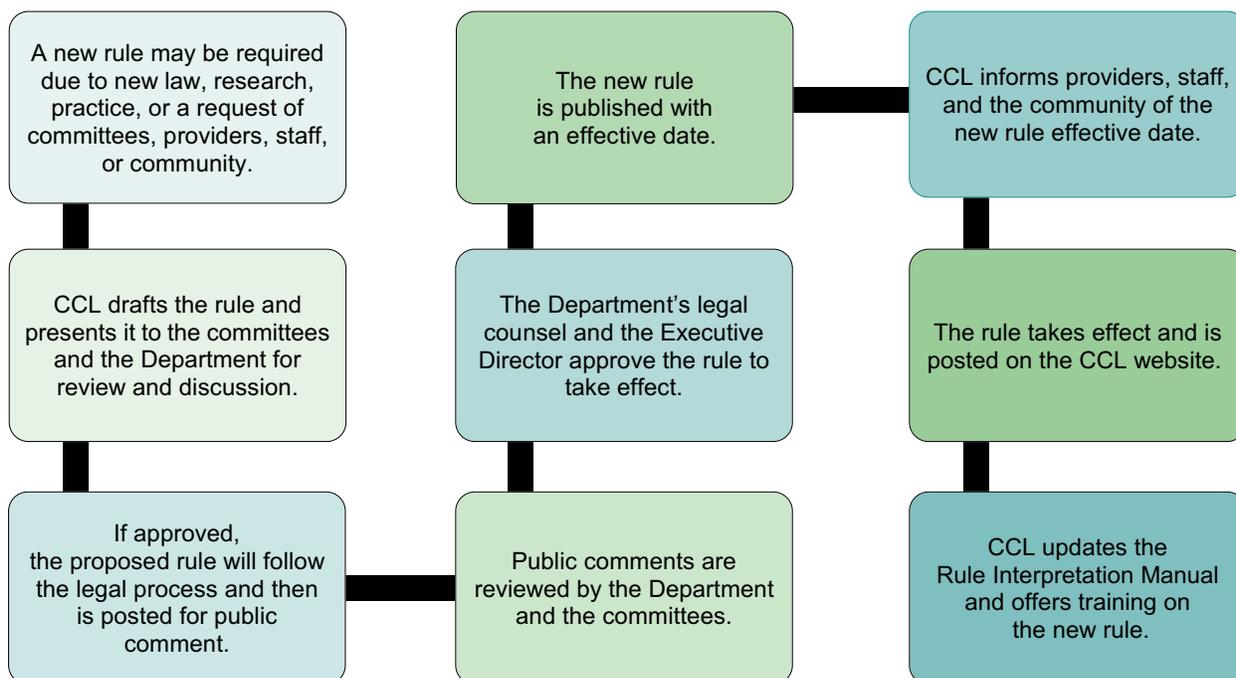
Rationale / Explanation

The Utah Department of Health has the legal responsibility to regulate child care providers as outlined in Utah Code, Title 26, Chapter 39, also known as the Utah Child Care Licensing Act.

Child Care Licensing (CCL) in the Department of Health is the program delegated with the authority to make and enforce rules to carry out the Child Care Licensing Act.

The purpose of the rules is to ensure the health and safety of children in child care facilities. The rules also explain how to obtain and keep a residential certificate to provide child care in Utah.

CHILD CARE LICENSING RULEMAKING PROCESS



- Occasionally, a proposed rule may not be approved, including when a concern can be addressed by an update to the Rule Interpretation Manual or the enforcement protocol.
- The Rule Interpretation Manual and updates are posted on the CCL website. The Manual is generally updated annually.
- CCL offers training on licensing rules on a regular basis.