

# Approved carer

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Glossary Item

**METEOR identifier:** 742264

**Registration status:** [Children and Families](#), Standard 26/05/2021

**Definition:** An approved carer is anyone authorised under a relevant state of territory legislation, including third party parental orders, to have full or partial parental responsibility and/or care responsibility for a child or young person.

For children or young people placed in [out-of-home care](#) this includes carers:

- who have undergone the relevant screening/selection and approval process; and
- who have received authorisation from the relevant department or agency to enable a child or young person to be placed in their care, including carers who have received provisional authorisation; and
- for whom reimbursement is available from a government authority or non-government organisation for expenses incurred in caring for the child or young person who are part of an ongoing review process.

**Context:** Child protection

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

**Origin:** AIHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) 2018. Child protection national minimum data set, data collection manual 2017-18. Canberra: AIHW.

## Relational attributes

**Metadata items which use this glossary item:** [Abuse in care](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Standard 03/11/2021

[Abuse in care](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 03/11/2021

[Person held responsible \(Child protection\)](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Standard 03/11/2021

[Safety in care \(SC\) file cluster](#)  
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