

YARMOUTH TOWN LIBRARIES SUPERVISED VISITATION POLICY

Yarmouth Town Libraries welcome people of all ages to enjoy the facilities, collections, and programs offered by the library system. To ensure a safe, pleasant experience for all, the Town Library board has established the following policies for Community Agency Personnel (*e.g.*, DCF, DYCF) using the library for supervised visits with their clients.

Community Agency Personnel are welcome to use our open space; however, the library does not have a designated quiet/private space. Visits involving groups of more than four (4) people must be arranged in advance with the library staff.

All coordination regarding visitations must be made between the Community Agency Personnel and their clients. It is not the responsibility of the Library Staff to monitor any visits, and they will not record or report observations unless a perceived danger is present.

All people using the Library for supervised visits must adhere to the Children's Policy and the Standards of Conduct Policy. While at the Library, Community Agency Representatives must remain with their clients, and they are responsible for any inappropriate behavior by individuals in the group. If the inappropriate behavior continues, the group may be asked to leave the Library. In the case of an emergency, the police will be contacted.