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A couple of program policies regarding BackGround Checks:

Our policy states that a person is ineligible to volunteer if they have a record of any violent crime, any child/elder abuse, any non-violent crime within 10 years of volunteer application. Individuals who wish to drive will be ineligible if they do not have an active/valid license and auto insurance. Cases will be reviewed individually if a person has a history of license suspension or revocation. If through this process IVC staff learns that a current volunteer has a new criminal record, they will be released from volunteer service. If a volunteer has any new traffic violations, IVC staff may decide that the volunteer be barred from driving program participants.

Hope this is helpful! I'd be curious to know what other policies state as well.

As far as our background checks, we do not accept anyone (volunteer or care receiver) who has been convicted of a felony. Misdemeanors, depending on the offense and when the offense occurred, is discretionary. We also look into the all surrounding circumstances so for example, if a person has expressed an interest in providing transportation but they have 3 DUIs from 10 years ago plus other moving violations, those would all be factors to consider.

The following is how it's written up in our policies that the care receiver signs to acknowledge they understand regarding transportation.

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