

GUIDELINES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE MISSISSIPPI ICPC PRIVATE AGENCY OR INDEPENDENT ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT REFERRAL

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- Cover letter which identifies the child, birth parent(s), prospective adoptive parent(s), and which includes a statement as to how the adoptive family was matched with the family, as well as the name and address of the person or entity providing post-placement supervision.
- Mother's final consent/surrender
- Father's final consent/surrender
- Certification by a licensed attorney or private adoption agency that the consents are in compliance with the applicable laws of the sending state or, where applicable, the laws of the receiving state. If the receiving state laws are applied, the packet also must include a waiver signed by the birth parent(s), waiving the sending state laws governing consents.
- Statement regarding the applicability of the Indian Child Welfare Act
- Legal Risk Statement signed by the adoptive parents when birth/legal father does not sign consent/surrender
- Home Study. An update must be included if the study was completed more than one year prior to the ICPC application. Must contain criminal and child abuse check. **(MISSISSIPPI REQUIREMENT)** -Must be conducted by a licensed social worker of or affiliated with a licensed child placing agency.
- For placements made by a private agency, copy of the sending agency's license or certification.
- Background social/ medical form on both biological parents
- Statement regarding reason for the decision to place for adoption
- Current information about the child's history, needs and functioning. If an infant, a copy of birth medical records/discharge summary
- Affidavit regarding counseling. Must be conducted by a licensed social worker of or affiliated with a licensed **adoptive** child placing agency.
- Affidavit of all expenses charged to the adoptive parents related to the adoption.
- Fee statement for payment of expenses toward or for biological parent.
- Written statement from the person/entity that will be providing post-placement supervision (This may be included in the home study)
- Statement giving authority for the prospective adoptive parents to provide medical care