5101:2-33-07 **Delegation of responsibilities and contracting for the performance of specified agency duties.**

- (A) A public children services agency (PCSA) may enter into a contract with a eounty department of human services (CDHS) county department of job and family services (CDJFS), boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services; county boards of mental retardation and developmental disabilities; regional councils of political subdivisions established under Chapter 167. of the Revised Code; public and private individuals or providers of services; or managed care organizations and prepaid health plans to assist them in performing their assigned duties outlined in section 5153.16 of the Revised Code. The PCSA shall not enter into contracts with other entities or delegate its responsibility to perform its investigation duties outlined in section 2151.421 of the Revised Code. When entering into a contract, the PCSA shall ensure that the agency, organization, provider or individual has the required state licensing credentials in order to perform the specified duties outlined in the contract.
- (B) A private child placing agency (PCPA) which has assumed custody of a child, whether custody is temporary or permanent through court commitment or agreement, shall not delegate the:
 - (1) Total responsibility of the child's care to another person, agency, or other provider of service; or
 - (2) Decision making responsibility for case planning and placement.

A PCPA may contract with another person, agency, or any other provider of services for a part of the care provided to a child or his parents.

- (C)(B) When an agreement, compact or contract for the purposes of placing a child is executed for purposes of placing a child between a PCSA or PCPA and another person, agency, or any other provider of services, the agreement shall specify criteria to be followed to work together in developing and executing case plan services and participating in semiannual administrative reviews.
- (D) A PCSA or PCPA shall share any information with other agencies or service providers. PCSAS shall share information in accordance with rules 5101:2-34-38 and 5101:2-39-51 of the Administrative Code when meeting the requirements of this rule.

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