

5101:2-48-12.2

Completion of adoption homestudy amendments.

- (A) An amendment is a narrative of the assessor's evaluation of the approved adoptive parent(s) and family and shall be completed and attached to the homestudy within thirty days of the agency becoming aware a change occurred.
- (B) If the approved adoptive parent notifies the agency of any changes or circumstances listed in paragraphs (C) and (D) of this rule occurred, the agency shall amend the homestudy.
- (C) An approved adoptive parent shall notify the recommending agency within one hour of any of the following circumstances involving the adoptive child whose adoption is not finalized:
- (1) A serious injury or illness involving medical treatment of the adoptive child.
 - (2) The death of the adoptive child.
 - (3) Unauthorized absence of the adoptive child from the home.
 - (4) Removal of the adoptive child from the home by any person or agency other than the placing agency, or attempts at such removal.
 - (5) Any involvement of the adoptive child with law enforcement authorities.
- (D) An adoptive parent shall notify the recommending agency within twenty-four hours or the next working day if any of the following occur prior to finalization of the adoption of the child:
- (1) A change in the marital status of an approved adoptive parent(s).
 - (2) Any serious illness or death of an approved adoptive parent(s) or household member.
 - (3) The finalization of an adoptive child placed by a different agency.
 - (4) A change in the number of household members through birth or kinship who have not reached the age of majority.
 - (5) A change in the number of adults residing with the approved adoptive parent (not including an existing household member reaching the age of majority).
 - (6) A criminal charge or conviction of any approved adoptive parent or other adult household member(s).
 - (7) A significant change in financial status/income.
 - (8) The physical relocation of the approved adoptive parent(s) resulting in a change

of address different than the address listed on the most recent homestudy or homestudy update.

- (E) New child household members residing with the adoptive parent shall have a JFS 01653 "Medical Statement for Foster Care/Adoptive Applicant and All Household Members" (rev. 6/2009) completed within sixty days of becoming a household member.
- (F) If the child is an infant born to the adoptive parent and the agency documents in the case record the adoptive parent has had prenatal care from a physician during the pregnancy and is receiving periodic medical examinations from a physician, the JFS 01653 shall be completed within ninety days of the date the infant becomes a household member.
- (G) Household members turning eighteen years of age shall have a bureau of criminal identification and investigation (BCII) background check and federal bureau of investigation (FBI) check, as outlined in rule 5101:2-48-10 of the Administrative Code, initiated within ten working days of the date they turned eighteen years of age.
- (H) New adult household members residing with the approved adoptive parent shall have a JFS 01653 completed within sixty days of becoming a household member.
- (I) New adult household members residing with the approved adoptive parent shall have a BCII background check and FBI check, as outlined in rule 5101:2-48-10 of the Administrative Code, and a search of the central registry initiated within ten working days of the date they became a household member.
- (J) Upon notification of a change of address, the PCSA, PCPA, or PNA shall conduct a safety audit of the new residence using the JFS 01348 "Safety Audit of a Foster Home," which is also used for adoptive homes (rev. 1/2003).
- (K) The safety audit shall be conducted within ten working days after the notification of the change of address.
- (L) The PCSA, PCPA, or PNA shall require the approved adoptive parent to obtain a fire safety inspection certifying the new residence is free from conditions hazardous to the safety of an adoptive child.
- (M) The fire safety inspection shall be conducted within ninety days of the change of address by a state certified fire safety inspector or the state fire marshal's office.

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