5101:2-48-19 **Release of adoptive homestudy and related information.**

- (A) Upon request of the approved adoptive applicant and the execution of an authorization for release of information form, the PCSA, PCPA, or PNA shall release all information, with the exception of references, requested by another agency. Information shall be released within fifteen days after an authorization for such release has been submitted to the PCSA, PCPA or PNA or a request has been made to release the homestudy.
- (B) The homestudy, not including reference letters, may be released to the adoptive applicant pursuant to the agency policy. A PCSA or PCPA may only consider homestudies that have been forwarded by another agency.
- (C) A PCSA, PCPA or PNA shall not consider a homestudy that has been sent to the agency by a prospective adoptive parent. Only homestudies forwarded to the agency by another agency shall be considered by the PCSA, PCPA or PNA.
- (C) There shall not be a charge for release of the homestudy for a waiting child, as defined in rule 5101:2-1-01 of the Administrative Code.
- (D) The PCSA, PCPA, or PNA may charge reasonable fees for reproduction of the homestudy and supporting documents which are being released in compliance with paragraph (A) of this rule for any child who is not a waiting child as defined in rule 5101:2-1-01 of the Administrative Code.

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