

Model Adoption Scheduling Order

STATE OF MICHIGAN
_____**JUDICIAL CIRCUIT-FAMILY DIVISION**
_____**COUNTY**

CASE NO.:

IN THE INTEREST OF:

MINOR CHILD(REN).

STANDING SCHEDULING ORDER ON ADOPTION

THESE MATTERS having come before the Court on a Permanency Planning Hearing, the Court having found the permanency plan for the Child(ren) is Adoption, and upon review of court files, evidence, testimony and otherwise being duly advised in the premises, and the Court finding that for children to languish in foster care longer than one year is not in the Child(ren)'s best interest and violates Michigan Statute _____, and consistent with concurrent planning as required by Michigan Statutes _____, *et seq.*,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following Scheduling Order shall govern preparation of the Petition for Adoption:

<u>Item</u>	Completion Timeframe from Entry of This Order:
▪ Transfer of Case from Foster Care to Adoption/ Adoption Worker Assigned after Permanent Custody Petition filed	<u>14 days</u>
▪ Preliminary Identification and Recruitment of Adoptive Family: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Identify candidates and Barriers- Alternate goals- Adoption Process Explained- Family is apprised of background checks and other documentation required before Family assessment can be completed Orientation/Training to be scheduled	<u>30 days</u>

- Child Assessment 45 days
- Family Selection 90 days
- Subsidy Application, if applicable 90 days
- Family Assessment/Home Study 90 days
- Subsidy Approval 120 days
- Consent from MCI 150 days
- Adoption Petition Filed **180 days**

Note: This schedule assumes minimal recruitment effort, such as in the case of current foster parents applying to adopt. Should the foster parent(s) not want to go forward with adoption, requiring recruitment of a different family, or if a competing family needs to be assessed for adoption, the timeframes may need to be modified and/or extended. This can be addressed in the Order following Post-Termination Review Hearing. (JC-76)

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, if the Child(ren) is not in a pre-adoptive home, that within **ninety (90)** days from the entry of this Order, the Director, Chief Executive Officer, or such other person with ultimate responsibility for operating the child welfare services agency copied herewith as recited below, shall produce to the Court and the attorney for the Child(ren) satisfactory written evidence that the following adoptive placement recruitment activities have been performed:

1. Child(ren)'s current information and a photograph of the Child(ren) taken within the last 90 days displayed as available for adoption on Michigan Adoption Resource Exchange web site.
2. Child(ren)'s current information and a photograph of the Child(ren) taken within the last 90 days displayed as available for adoption on Adopt US Kids web site.
3. Child(ren) scheduled for photography and interview for production displayed as available for adoption on the Heart Gallery.
4. Child(ren) scheduled for photography and interview for production of a story promoting their availability for adoption on _____ program, where the story is scheduled to be broadcast.
5. Child(ren)'s current educational assessment.
6. Child(ren)'s current comprehensive assessment.

7. Recently updated child psychological assessment, if available.
8. Sibling visitation schedule.
9. All other efforts by the Agency to recruit an adoptive placement for the Child(ren).
10. Dates and times scheduled for the interviews of those persons described in paragraphs 13 through 22 of this Order, hereinafter below. The names and contact information of these persons, and the person(s) conducting the interviews shall also be provided to the Court.
11. Interview of former and current Family Services Case workers and supervisors to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
12. Interview of former and current therapists of the Child(ren) to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
13. Interview of all paternal relatives of the Child(ren) to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
14. Interview of all maternal relatives of the Child(ren) to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
15. Interview of all former and current care givers, foster parents, relative and non relative custodians of the Child(ren) to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
16. Interview of select former and current neighbors of the Child(ren) to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
17. Interview of select former and current teachers of the Child(ren) to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
18. Interview of select former and current pastors, Priests, Rabbis, Imams, religious institution youth workers, Sunday School teachers, religious instruction teachers of the Child(ren) to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
19. Interview of select former and current physicians and medical care providers of the Child(ren) to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
20. Interview of any diagnosis specific support groups for the Child(ren), if applicable, to inquire about possible adoptive placements for the Child(ren).
21. Other: _____

NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE REVIEW HEARING

22. A Hearing to review compliance with the Order shall be conducted on _____, at _____ or as soon thereafter as it may be heard.

DONE AND ORDERED, in _____ on this _____ day of _____.

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