

Inquiry to Indian Tribe, Band, or Nation

Second Inquiry

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| TO; (Indian Tribe, Band, or Nation) | DATE |
| ADDRESS (Box or Street Number) | DSHS CASE NUMBER |
| CITY STATE ZIP CODE | PERSON ID NUMBER |
| NAME OF CHILD | DATE OF BIRTH |

This agency recently received a referral regarding the above referenced child. We need your assistance to determine whether this child is subject to the provisions of the Indian Child Welfare Act 25 U.S.C. 1901. et seq., and/or the Indian provisions of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC). I have attached a family ancestry chart regarding the child's family and Indian ancestry.

The Indian Child Welfare Act defines an "Indian child" as an unmarried person under the age of 18 years who is either: (a) a member of a federally recognized Indian Tribe: Or (b) eligible for membership in a federally recognized Tribe and is the biological child of a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe. 25 U.S.C. 1903(4).

The Washington Administrative Code (WAC) provides a broader definition of Indian child by expanding upon the ICWA definition to also include::

1. A Canadian Indian: Any person who is a member of a treaty tribe, Métis community or non-status Indian community from Canada.
2. An unenrolled Indian: A person considered to be an Indian by a federally or non-federally recognized Indian/Alaskan native community organization.

To help establish whether the child meets any of the above definitions, please answer the following questions:

1. Is the child a member of your Tribe? Yes; Enrollment Number: _____ No
Is the child eligible for tribal membership? **(See attached Ancestry Chart)** Yes No
2. Mother's Name: _____ Mother's Birth Date: _____
Is the child's mother a member of your Tribe? Yes No
Is the child's mother eligible for membership? Yes No
3. Father's Name: _____ Father's Birth Date: _____
Is the child's father a member of your Tribe? Yes No
Is the child's father eligible for membership? Yes No
4. Regardless of the child's formal membership status, does the Tribe consider the child to be Indian?
 Yes No If yes, please explain the basis for this consideration:

5. What kinds of case planning/placement services and/or court involvement can the tribe offer in this case?

6. Please provide the name, address, and telephone number of the appropriate Tribal representative to contact regarding this matter:

Your earliest response will be most appreciated. If you do not respond in a timely manner, the child may not be treated as an Indian child for legal or case planning purposes.

If you need additional time or information in order to determine the child's Indian status, please immediately contact me at the address or telephone number listed below.

- First Inquiry:** If the Tribe does not respond to this letter of contact me within **thirty (30) days** of receipt of this letter, case planning and court activities will proceed without Tribal participation.
- Second Inquiry:** If the Tribe does not respond to this letter of contact me within **fifteen (15) days** of receipt of this letter, case planning and court activities will proceed without Tribal participation.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or require further assistance. I will follow-up with a telephone call to you.

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| NAME OF SOCIAL WORKER | | E-MAIL ADDRESS | |
| MAILING ADDRESS/STREET ADDRESS | CITY | STATE | ZIP CODE |
| TELEPHONE NUMBER (INCLUDING AREA CODE) | FAX NUMBER (INCLUDING AREA CODE) | | |

Attach Family Ancestry Chart, DSHS 04-220