

#### 10:121A-3.4 Information to parents and adoption applicants

(a) The agency shall provide the birth parents and adoptive applicants with a written statement or pamphlet indicating certain parental and agency rights and responsibilities, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:121A-3.4(b)

(b) The written statement or pamphlet shall contain the following information:

1. That the agency is required to be certified by the Department of Children and Families, Office of Licensing pursuant to the State Adoption Law (N.J.S.A 9:3-37 et seq.);
2. That the agency is required by law to comply with all applicable requirements of this chapter.
3. That the agency shall make a current copy of the manual of requirements for adoption agencies available for review by the parents of children served by the agency;
4. That any parents who believe or suspect that the agency is in violation of any requirements of the Manual of Requirement for adoption agencies may report such alleged violations to the office of licensing.
5. That any parent may secure a copy of the manual of requirements of adoption agencies by contacting the office of licensing and that the office of licensing will charge a nominal fee for the nominal fee in keeping with department policy
6. That when requested by parents of children served by the agency the agency shall make available for review the office of licensing's certification records and any inspection violation report on the agency except for those records prohibited from disclosure pursuant to the state child abuse and neglect laws (N.J.S.A 9:6-8.10(a)) and to any other laws prohibiting such disclosure
7. That any person who has reasonable cause to believe that a child begin served by the agency has been and/or is subjected to any form of child abuse or neglect or exploitation by any person, whether working at the agency or not, shall report such allegations to the DYFS office of child abuse control toll-free hotline at: 1-800-NJABUSE, pursuant to the state child abuse and neglect law (N.J.S.A 9:6-8.1 et seq.). Such reports may be made anonymously
8. That parent may secure information about child abuse and neglect by contacting the office of child abuse, division of youth and family services.
9. That the agency shall cooperate with the adoptive parents and/or the attorney retained by the adoptive parents in providing all financial information needed for the finalization report, pursuant to the state adoption law (N.J.S.A 9:3-37 et seq.); and
10. Data one adoption completed during the previous 12 months.

(c) When a child has been identified by the agency as having a handicapping condition or suspected handicapping condition and services have not been

arranged, the agency shall inform the parents of their child right to special educational and medical services and shall refer the parents to:

1. The toll free number of the New Jersey Department of Education, Regional curriculum Services Unit 1-800-322-8174 in New Jersey and 908-390-6030 out-of-state) for a possible comprehensive evaluation and individual service plan for the child.
2. The New Jersey Department of Health, Division of Local and Community Health Service, Special Child Health Services Program 609-292-5676 for a possible comprehensive medical evaluation for the child.