

d. Upon placement of the child, submit a CFS-100B form. This will notify the receiving state of the date placement occurred and the need to begin supervision.

CHANGES IN PLACEMENT

When a child's placement location in another state changes (e.g., from residential treatment to relative placement or foster care), submit a new CFS-100A to request approval for new placement.

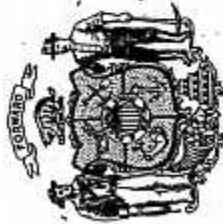
PROCEDURE TO TERMINATE THE COMPACT

Submit a CFS-100B for all placement terminations, including a return of the child to Wisconsin.

COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

The law requires each state to appoint an ICPC Administrator responsible for acting on placement requests and negotiating with sending or receiving parties in other states. In Wisconsin, the ICPC Administrator is the Administrator of the Division of Children and Family Services, who delegates authority to the Bureau of Programs and Policies, Special Services Section, which administers the program and maintains the state centralized database.

Questions about the program can be directed to the Deputy Compact Administrator at (608) 266-8501.



GUIDE TO THE INTERSTATE COMPACT ON THE PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN



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DEFINITION

The Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC) is a uniform law which establishes orderly procedures for the interstate placement of children. The compact establishes financial and planning responsibilities for those involved in placing the children. It must be used to request services from other states. A child may not be moved to another state prior to compliance with ICPC requirements and approval of the proposed placement from the state in which the child is to be placed.

FUNCTION OF THE COMPACT

When signed, ICPC is a contract between all 50 states. All states have enacted the same statutory language. Wisconsin Statutes s. 48.988 contains this language.

The compact law contains ten articles. They define the types of placements and persons or agencies subject to the law, the procedures to be followed in making an interstate placement, and the specific protections, services and requirements of the law.

TYPES OF PLACEMENTS COVERED

ICPC applies to four types of situations in which children are sent to other states:

- Placements preliminary to adoption.
- Placements into out-of-home care, including foster homes, group homes, residential treatment facilities and child-caring institutions.
- Placements with parents and relatives when a parent or relative is not making the placement.
- Placements of all delinquents being placed in Wisconsin foster homes, group homes or child caring institutions.

TYPES OF PLACEMENTS EXCLUDED

- Placements made into medical and mental health facilities or boarding schools.
- Placements of a child made by a parent, stepparent, grandparent, adult brother or sister, adult aunt or uncle when the placement is with another close relative and when there is no court jurisdiction.

WHO MUST USE THE COMPACT

The Compact clearly spells out its users. They are those who "send, bring, or cause a child to be brought or sent" to another state. These persons and agencies, called "sending agencies" include the following:

- A state, or any officer or employe of the state.
- A subdivision, such as a county or a city, or any officer or employe of the subdivision.
- A court of a party state.
- Any person (including parents and relatives in some instances), corporation, association, or charitable agency of a party state.

SAFEGUARDS OFFERED BY THE COMPACT

To safeguard both the child and the parties involved, ICPC:

- Provides the sending agency the opportunity to obtain an objective evaluation of the proposed placement.
- Allows the prospective receiving state to ensure that the placement is not "contrary to the best interests of the child" and that applicable laws and policies have been followed before it approves the placement.
- Guarantees the child legal and financial protection by fixing these responsibilities.

d. Ensures that the sending agency does not lose jurisdiction of the child once the child moves. Jurisdiction must be maintained by the sending agency for duration of the placement or until the receiving state concurs to termination of jurisdiction in writing.

e. Provides the sending agency the opportunity to receive supervision and reports on the child's placement.

PROCEDURES TO INITIATE THE INTERSTATE COMPACT

- Complete "Interstate Compact Request" (CFS-100A). Send five copies to ICPC (keep one for your records). Complete a separate form for each child in a sibling group.
- Assemble three identical copies of the request packets including:
 - A short cover letter outlining the situation and explaining any concerns that need to be addressed in the evaluation of the proposed placement.
 - Signed court order establishing initial jurisdiction and subsequent orders.
 - Social history of the child and other relevant history (medical, psychological, psychiatric, educational, etc.).
 - Copies of CFS 201 and 205 forms if child is eligible for Title IV-E funds.
- Forward the packets to:

ICPC
DHFS-DCFS
1 W. Wilson Street, Rm. 558
P. O. Box 8916
Madison, WI 53708-8916

Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC)
Contact Information:

Wisconsin ICPC caseload is divided alphabetically by the last name of the child/ren concerned. For cases with multiple last names, use the youngest child's last name:

ICPC Specialist:

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608-266-8501
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Regular Mail Delivery:

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Express Mail Requires Street Address:

DHFS/DCFS/BPP/ICPC
1 W. Wilson St., Room 558
Madison WI 53702

ICPC FAX: 608-266-5144

ICPC Office Hours: M-F 7:00 AM – 4:15 PM

Related Compact Contact Persons:

Interstate Compact on Juveniles:

(JIPS Transfer of supervision/probation for delinquents to relatives only)

Lori Pendleton, DOC/Division of Juvenile Corrections
P.O. Box 8930
Madison WI 53708-8930
ph: 608/240-5931
fax: 608/240-3370

Interstate Compact on Mental Health:

(Placement in public mental health facilities/institutions)

Rod Miller, DHFS/Division of Disability & Elder Services
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