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SUBJECT: COURT PROCESS ON INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR INDIAN CHILDREN

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BACKGROUND:

We have experienced some problems when an Indian tribe in Washington State requests other states to return children to tribal jurisdiction.

It is the policy of the department to fully and effectively accommodate tribal child welfare intervention and requests to transfer children to tribal court.

ACTION REQUIRED:

Effective immediately, in order to prevent any misunderstandings, all staff should utilize the following guidelines:

A. When Indian children are illegally removed from Washington while dependent wards of the State's Juvenile Courts, or a Tribal Court, and DSHS has custody pursuant to court order, the CSO shall request law enforcement to issue a pick-up order to return such dependent children to the jurisdiction of the court.

B. When children who are under DSHS supervision are physically returned to the court's jurisdiction, and the removal from Washington state has substantially changed prior case planning, the CSO shall immediately staff the case with the local Indian Child Welfare Advisory Committee or Indian consultant and the Indian child's tribe. Recommendations from such staffing shall be presented to the juvenile court.

C. When Indian children are abandoned, abused/neglected in another state and the family has established permanent residence in that state and the child's tribe intervenes and requests transfer to tribal court, the CSO shall assist the tribe to effect such transfer.