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Adoption Written Disclosure

401.510b) Written Disclosures that include:

Adoption Services Provided:

The Youth Service Bureau of Illinois Valley provides “From Foster Care to Adoption Services”: A process by which adoptive parents work with an agency or DCFS to become licensed as foster parents to provide long term foster care. In addition to providing foster care for a child or children, if it is not possible for the child to return to his or her parents, the next best permanency outcome is adoption. Often, these children are adopted by their foster parents.

Policies and Practices:

The Youth Service Bureau of Illinois Valley provides “From Foster Care to Adoption” contracted service through the Department of Children and Family Services and adheres rules and procedures outlined through the State of Illinois.

General Eligibility Criteria:

Adoptive Parents:

- Can be single or married.
- May or may not have birth children.
- Must be able to financially manage the addition of a child to your family, although there are no specific income requirements. There is a program available to help families with expenses, including medical expenses and ongoing financial expenses for waiting children who are eligible.
 - Must have room for another child
 - Can rent or own your home.
 - Must have no criminal history that would prevent licensure to adopt.
 - Meet all licensing standards as stated in Part 402

General Description of Fees:

The Youth Service Bureau of Illinois Valley does not charge for adoption services. DCFS provides and funds a variety of financial and non-financial benefits after adoption or guardianship, including subsidies for families who adopt waiting

children or become guardians of children in DCFS care. Subsidy agreements are entered into prior to court finalization of adoptions or approval of guardianships and begin after the adoptions (adoption assistance agreements) or guardianship (subsidized guardianship agreements) are finalized.

Subsidies may include any or all of the following:

*Ongoing monthly payments equal to what the child's foster care payment was, or would have been.

*Medicaid card to cover medical expenses not covered by family insurance or other public resources.

*Counseling services for the family and child, if needed.

There are also a number of other post adoption and guardianship services available including information and referral, educational services and non-identifying information.

Mutual Rights and Responsibilities of Clients, Including Biological and Adoptive Parent:

The Youth Service Bureau of Illinois Valley provides services to persons in need regardless of race, sex, religious belief, ethnic origin, marital status, physical or mental disability, criminal record that is related to present dangerousness and inability to pay.

Right and responsibility of clients are presented and reviewed in the language or mode of communication understood by the client. The form is signed and filed in the client file.