



Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children (ICPC)

## General Information:

The Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children (ICPC) is a contract between all 50 states that allow them to work together to ensure that children who are placed across state lines, who are in the care or custody of a state public child welfare agency, for foster care or adoption receive adequate protection and support services. The ICPC establishes procedures for the placement of children and fixes responsibility for agencies and individuals involved in placing children. The purpose of the ICPC is to protect the child and the party states in the interstate placement of children so that:

- The child is placed in a suitable environment;
- The receiving state has the opportunity to assess that the proposed placement is not contrary to the interests of the child and that its applicable laws and policies have been followed before it approves the placement;
- The sending state obtains enough information to evaluate the proposed placement;
- The care of the child is promoted through appropriate jurisdictional arrangements; and
- The sending agency or individual guarantees the child legal and financial protection

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## ICPC requests processed by North Dakota

- Foster Care and Relative Care 600 per year (50 per month) both incoming and outgoing
- Adoption 80 per year both incoming and outgoing
- Out of State Residential Facility Placement See below

## Placement options for which an ICPC be requested:

ICPC can be requested to support several potential placement options

- Parent home
- Relative home
- Foster care provider home
- Adoptive home
- Qualified Residential Treatment

## Out-of-State Residential Facility Placements CY2013-CY2024

