



Lorain County Children Services

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Dear Prospective Foster/Adoptive Applicant:

Enclosed is a copy of the Multiethnic Placement Act (MEPA) and the Civil Rights Act of 1994. For those of you who might not be familiar with MEPA, this law prohibits any agency that receives federal funds from discriminating on the basis of race, color or national origin in the foster/adoptive process. Since you have contacted our agency regarding foster/adoption, we are required to provide you the following:

- Written notice of the process for any complaints of discrimination in the foster care/adoption process that involves race, color, or national origin (RCNO)
- ODJFS 02333 Discrimination Complaint Form
- Non-discrimination Requirements for Foster Care and Adoptive Placements.

If you have any questions regarding the material you have received, please do not hesitate to contact me at 329-5672.

Sincerely,

Kris Ross, MSSA, LISW-S
MEPA Monitor, Lorain County Children Services
Manager, Family Based Care

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LCCS Form to Foster Parent Applicants re: MEPA Rev. 1/23/18