



Policy: Freedom to Express and Practice Religious and Spiritual Beliefs for Children in Out-of-Home Care

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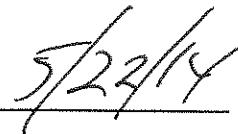
Statement of Policy:

ChildNet recognizes, encourages and supports the freedom of children in out-of-home care to express and practice their religious and spiritual belief or lack thereof.

Board Chair's Signature:



Date:





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Definitions (If any):

Statement of Procedure:

This operating Procedure is applicable to all Managers/Directors, Supervisors, and Child Advocates/Dependency Case Managers handling cases in out-of-home care.

- A. Meeting the needs of children to express religious and spiritual beliefs, if any, (in out-of-home care):
1. Screening process at SafePlace will include gathering available information of a child's religious and spiritual beliefs if any;
 2. Religious and spiritual beliefs, if any, will be taken into consideration in determining appropriate placement for the child;
 3. Child Advocates/Dependency Case Managers will discuss religious and spiritual beliefs, if any, with parents or legal guardians at initial interview. Placement may be reconsidered after an interview with parents, if religious and spiritual needs of the child cannot be met at the initial placement.
 4. Child Advocate/Dependency Case Manager will coordinate necessary support including transportation (if the foster/shelter parent is not available) to facilitate the child's freedom to express his/her religious and spiritual beliefs if any.

President's Signature:

Date:

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