

**To prepare the Home Assessment Report, provide information under each heading below.**

**Part 1: Applicants' Information**

**Provide information about EACH applicant.**

- Name on birth certificate
- Other names, if any
- Address, street, city, province, postal code
- Mailing address if different from above
- Telephone, residence, business, cellular, e-mail
- Birthdate, year, month and day, birthplace
- Marital or Adult Interdependent Relationship status
- Racial origin
- Ethnic origin
- Registered Indian
- Band name
- Metis
- Metis settlement name or community
- Health as supported by medical
- Education
- Employment
- Religion
- Languages spoken
- Brief family history: (include parenting style, familial relationships, significant childhood experiences, views of extended family on this application)
- Involvement with legal and child intervention systems: (include criminal record checks and intervention record checks within the last six months for applicants and everyone age 18 or over living in the home)
- Personality

**Part 2: Family Dynamics**

**Describe the following:**

- Family composition
  - Relationship dynamics
  - Previous marriage(s) or long term relationships
  - Communication patterns
  - Autonomy of individual family members
  - Ability to solve problems and handle crisis
  - Emotional interactions
  - Family traditions
  - Philosophy on child rearing
  - Modes of behaviour control
  - Interests and hobbies
  - Social support network
- For International Adoptions ONLY**
- What arrangements have been made for alternate guardians for the child (include names, ages, education, occupation and income.)

**Part 3: Home and Community**

**Describe the following:**

- Physical space
- Safe environment assessment (include safe storage of medications and weapons, if any)
- Availability of resources
- Community involvement
- Contact with professional agencies

**Part 4(a): Child Desired (For Adoption and Foster Care)**

- Is assessment for a specific child?  
If yes, describe relationship and involvement with child and birth family
- Age
- Male / Female
- Racial origin
- Sibling group
- Acceptable background characteristics
- Acceptable special needs
- Acceptability of birth family contact
- Acceptability of sibling contact
- Acceptability of an abandoned child with no background information
- Acceptability of a child who has lived in an institution
- Acceptability of legal risk placements
- Compatibility of applicants and child desired
- Does assessment worker agree with applicants' choices?

**Part 4(b): Child Information (For Private Guardianship)**

- Name of child(ren)
- Date of Birth (yyyy/mm/dd)
- Residence
- Ethnic origin
- History of involvement and relationship between the applicants and the child
- History of child protection involvement with child/family
- Acceptability of sibling contact
- Functioning of the child's birth family
- Relationship/contact with the birth parents/biological/extended family
- Placement history of the child
- Current functioning of the child (health/physical/emotional and academically)
- Current and anticipated needs and services for the child

**Part 5: Income**

**Describe the following:**

- The source and level of income and expenditures (include T4 slips)
- The effect of a placement on family's finances

## Part 6: Understanding and Motivation for Proposed Placement / Adoption / Foster Care

### Describe the following:

- Applicants' understanding of the legal, social, inter-racial emotional aspects of Adoption / Private Guardianship / Foster Care
- Applicants' plans to promote child's cultural/racial/religious heritage and identity

### Describe the following International Adoption ONLY:

- Knowledge of the selected country
- Applicants' motivation for selection of the country

## Part 7: References

- References (3 references for each applicant regarding each of the applicants' suitability - including relationship to applicants if any, on what basis judgement is made about applicants' potential/actual parenting ability and a summary of the results of interview(s).)

## Part 8: Overview of Home Assessment Process

- Date of personal visits (include amount of time spent at each interview and location of interviews)
- Applicants' training and activities in support of their application
- Persons interviewed (include confirmation that each person living in the home was interviewed separately and as a family)
- Date parent preparation training completed

### For Foster Care ONLY

## Part 9: Summary of Outcome of Assessment

- Report prepared by
  - Position
  - Date report prepared
- Report reviewed by
  - Position
  - Date report reviewed
- Report reviewed by applicants: signature and date

## Part 10: Placement Supports

### For Adoption, Private Guardianship and Foster Care

- Needed supports and services

### For Adoption and Private Guardianship ONLY

- Will the family be residing or moving out of province?
  - Yes  No
- Have arrangements for the provision of the identified supports/services been made?
  - Yes  No
  - If yes, is the other jurisdiction aware of and in agreement with the proposed order and will they oversee the provision of needed support and services?
    - Yes  No
  - If no, explain why

## Part 11: Recommendation/Approval of Assessor

- Assessor Recommendation
  - Approved
  - Not Approved (provide brief summary)
- Approved by Supervisor
- Opinion of the child in respect to the application (if applicable)
- Opinion of the child's birth parents in respect to the application (if applicable)
- Approved by Director of Private Licensed Adoption Agency (for agency and international adoptions)
- Approved by Director, Children's Services (for international adoptions only)

**FOR INTERNATIONAL ADOPTIONS:  
THIS HOME ASSESSMENT REPORT IS NOT VALID UNTIL IT IS APPROVED,  
UNDER SEAL BY ALBERTA CHILDREN'S SERVICES**