

441—202.8(234) Out-of-state placements.

202.8(1) The department shall make an out-of-state foster family care placement only with the approval of the service area manager or designee. Approval shall be granted only when the placement will not interfere with the goals of the child's case permanency plan and when one of the following conditions exists:

- a.* The foster family with whom the child is placed is moving out of state.
- b.* An out-of-state family having previous knowledge of the child desires to provide foster care to the child.
- c.* An out-of-state family is approved to adopt the child under subsidy and is eligible to receive maintenance payments until the adoption is final.
- d.* An out-of-state placement is necessary to facilitate reunification of the child with the parents.

202.8(2) Placements shall be made in an out-of-state group care facility only with the approval of the service area manager or designee.

202.8(3) All out-of-state placements shall be made pursuant to interstate compact procedures.

202.8(4) The reasons for selecting an out-of-state placement shall be documented in the child's case permanency plan.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 234.6(6) "b."

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