

441—203.2(232) Children to be registered on the exchange system. All children with special needs under state guardianship shall be registered on the Iowa adoption exchange system within 60 days of receipt of the termination of parental rights court order, unless a deferral is granted by the adoption program manager. In addition to the children with special needs being placed on the exchange system, those children under state guardianship for whom an adoptive home is not available within 90 days after termination shall be placed on the exchange system by department staff. Department workers shall forward the child's photograph to the Division of Adult, Children and Family Services, Adoption Program, for photolisting in the Iowa's Waiting Children Book at the time that the child is registered on the Iowa adoption exchange system.

Licensed child-placing agencies may register a child whose parental rights have been terminated and who is under their guardianship using one of the following methods:

a. The agency shall submit Form 470-0751, Exchange Referral of Child/Sibling Group to the department for entry of the child's name and data if the agency is registering less than four children a calendar year.

b. The agency shall access the Iowa adoption exchange system and directly enter the child's name and data when the agency registers four or more children in a calendar year.