

## SECTION .0900 - SERVICE DEFINITIONS

### 10A NCAC 71R .0901 ADOPTION SERVICES

- (a) Primary Service. Adoption services are: the recruitment, study and selection of adoptive homes; social casework and other diagnostic and treatment services to prepare the child and prospective parents for placement; casework services to the child and adoptive parents to support and maintain the placement and to facilitate legal consummation of the adoption including supervision and reports to the court; casework counseling and court related services in independent placements and in adoptions by stepparents and relatives as required by statute; and casework services to facilitate interstate and intercountry adoptions including those activities required to bring such interstate planning and placements into compliance with the interstate compact on the placement of children; and the provision of post-adoption services including, but not limited to, casework services designed to support the achievement of long range adjustment between the child and members of the adoptive family, and to assist the adoptee to gain understanding of his biological heritage to the extent allowed by law. At its option, the county may provide payment of costs incidental to preplacement and placement visits as a resource to facilitate the provision of adoption services, and payment of the cost of legal services to facilitate legal adoption of a child.
- (b) Components. None.
- (c) Resource Items. None.
- (d) Target Population. Children for whom legal adoption is planned or in process.

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