

Title IV-E Plan – State/Tribe of New York

**STATE/TRIBAL REQUEST FOR “QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS” WAIVER
AND REQUEST FOR ALTERNATE ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION**

Instructions: This request and certification must be used if a title IV-E agency requests: (1) a waiver to allow “qualified individuals” with responsibility for performing the assessments under section 475A(c)(1)(A), to be employees of the title agency and/or connected to or affiliated with any placement setting in which children are placed by the agency per section 475A(c)(1)(D)(ii) of the Act; and/or (2) the Secretary approve any other independent, not-for-profit accrediting organization of a similar type and kind as those identified in the Act.

The NYS Office of Children and Family Services requests:

(check each box that applies)

- [X] A waiver to allow “qualified individuals” with responsibility for performing the assessments under section 475A(c)(1)(A) of the Act to be employees of the agency and/or connected to or affiliated with any placement setting in which children are placed by the by the agency per section 475A(c)(1)(D)(ii) of the Act. Pursuant to this request, I certify the title IV-E agency will ensure that such qualified individuals will maintain objectivity with respect to determining the most effective and appropriate placement for a child in accordance with 475A(c)(1)(D)(ii) of the Act.
- The Secretary approve _____ (Name of Accrediting Organization) as an independent, non-for-profit accrediting organization for purposes of section 472(k)(4)(G) of the Act, and has attached documentation supporting such request.

Not effective until 10/1/19, unless the title IV-E agency elects a delayed effective date

 7-28-21 (date)

 (signature)

CB APPROVAL DATE 09/30/2021 EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/1/2019

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(Signature, Associate Commissioner, Children's Bureau)