

# Practice Alert



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## Missouri Adoption Information Registry

The purpose of this practice alert is to make staff aware of a new email address [CD.MOAdoptionInfoRegistry@dss.mo.gov](mailto:CD.MOAdoptionInfoRegistry@dss.mo.gov) to be used when submitting completed MO Adoption Information Registry forms or questions for the registry.

The Adoption Information Registry is a service within the Missouri Children's Division by which Adult Adoptees (age 18 and over) and Biological Parents or Adult siblings may indicate their desire to be contacted by each other upon the voluntary registration of all required parties to the adoption.

Once an adoptive family has been selected, the case manager will explain to all parties of the adoption the child's right, at the time the child reaches age 18, to register with the Missouri Adoption Information Registry to request contact with biological parents or adult siblings who have also registered. Staff should share the CD-51D **Adoption Information Registry** brochure with the adoptive parents, adopted youth, and biological parents which explains the process for registration and provides contact information for registry staff.

Adopted adults, and biological parents or adult siblings must complete and file separate registration forms with the Missouri Adoption Information Registry. The new email address has been added to all registration forms as well as the updated [Adoption Information Registry brochure](#). The updated forms and brochure can be downloaded from the Child's Division website at <https://dss.mo.gov/cd/adoption/adoption-information-registry.htm>. Completed forms and questions regarding the registry may be submitted through the new email address immediately.