

Lubbock Inter-Agency Adoption Council Criteria for Eligibility

## Agency Membership

Any agency who employs professional staff residing in Lubbock County whose duties relate to adoption, licensed and/or certified by the State of Texas to place children in adoptive homes, is eligible for membership in the Council. Each member agency may select no more than two representatives to serve on the Board of Directors of the Council. These designated representatives will hold individual memberships. This Board will hold executive power of the Council. Officers will be elected from this Board. All agency members will be asked to make a donation to the Council.

## Individual Membership

All professional staff as defined by the current Texas Department of Human Services Minimum Standards pertaining to the placing of children, and employed full-time or part-time by a licensed and/or certified child placing agency in Lubbock County whose job responsibilities relate directly to the placement of children in adoptive homes shall be eligible for membership in the Council. They shall have the right to vote on all matters brought to the members by the Board of Directors for vote pertaining to the provisions of the By-Laws of the Council or applying to set rules. Each shall receive all information and mailings about the activities of the Council.

## Supportive Membership

Supportive Membership shall be available to individuals and organizations (other than professional staff or licensed and/or certified child placing agencies and adoption organizations) wishing to support the purposes and efforts of this Council. The benefits of this membership include attending meetings and receiving all mailings. This membership does include individual membership enrollment for their members, and voting rights.

## ] Honorary Membership

Honorary Membership may be awarded from time to time by the Council. Recipients of Honorary Memberships shall have no voting rights but may attend meetings of the Council and may receive all mailings containing information about the activities of the Council.