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Emergency Child Placement Purpose Code X

FBI/CJIS has approved the use of Purpose Code X to retrieve computerized criminal history records for emergency child placement in exigent circumstances. An exigent circumstance means calling for immediate action or attention, urgent or critical. This allows a Children's Services Office with a valid LEADS ORI to request CCH information from local agencies. The legislation regarding this topic is in the process of being revised to support this type of access in Ohio. In the interim, FBI/CJIS has granted Ohio temporary approval to use this function.

Each Children's Services office will be required to have a participation agreement on file with LEADS and their own unique ORI. The CCH log must be signed by the requestor from Children Services, the same as any other LEADS user. Both the BCI & FBI fingerprint cards must be submitted within 15 calendar days of the check to BCI. Children's Services will be given access to CCH access for emergency child placement but not driving record or registration information.

LEADS is looking forward to assisting law enforcement and criminal justice agencies in providing better protection for the children of our state. Programs such as this and the Amber Alert have provided additional tools to law enforcement in their efforts to improve child safety.

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