

Association of Administrators of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (AAICPC)



New Orleans, Louisiana

**AAICPC 2023 Annual Business Meeting, Training Workshop and Child Welfare
Conference – Preliminary Agenda**

Hilton New Orleans Riverside

May 15-18, 2023– New Orleans, LA

“ICPC and the Crescent City: Bridging Families in the Big Easy”

ICPC TRAINING:

Monday, May 15, 2023, 8:00 a.m., C.T. – Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 5:00 p.m., C.T.

Beginners Track and Intermediate/Advance Track

- **ICPC National Training: Interactive, Engaging, Team-Building Activities with Real-life Case Analysis**
 - **Beginner’s Track I** - is an introduction to the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC). Training modules include: What is a compact? How to recognize ICPC and Non-ICPC cases; a detailed review of ICPC Articles, Regulations, Forms, applicable laws, content of an ICPC referral, responsibilities of an ICPC Compact and Deputy Compact Administrators; managing timeframes for timely placements, etc.
 - **Intermediate/Advanced Track II** - is an in-depth review of the ICPC and how the interstate administrative process merges with other federal, state, and local laws. Specific topics of review include: ICPC Regulations, medical coverage and helpful tools to assist with reviewing medical coverage by states; Family First Prevention Services Act, court jurisdiction placements; parent placements; private and independent adoptions and conflict of laws, New ICPC, ICPC Violations, Unregulated Custody Transfers, strategies for improving timelines and duties and responsibilities when handling multiple jurisdiction cases. Attendees will also discuss the benefits of collaborating and relationship building to facilitate the interstate process.
 - **Revised (New) ICPC** – Beginners and Intermediate/Advanced tracks will participate in a combined session to learn about the progress of the updated Compact. Presenters will discuss strategies that may be used by states that have not yet passed the legislation. Attendees will have access to materials developed to spur interest in passing the Revised ICPC.
- **All attendees may register for the Training, Business Meeting and Conference. (There is an additional fee for the training).**
Breakfast, *Lunch, Breaks and Training Materials are included in the training fee. Please refer to the registration materials for fees.



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*** Opening Session- AAICPC Business Meeting and Child Welfare Conference ***

The AAICPC Business Meeting is mandatory for Compact/Deputy Compact Administrators -States must be present to vote.

The AAICPC annual **business meeting is mandatory** for all party states to the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC) (i.e., the 50 States, District of Columbia, and the US Virgin Islands). Decisions and resolutions adopted at this meeting impact state laws, budgets, and the administrative and operating procedures of all member states. The business meeting will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m., C.T. Doors will open at 7:45 a.m., C.T. The business meeting provides a forum for collaborative networking and focuses on operational, policy and regulatory matters in administering the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC). Attendees contribute to developing the AAICPC/ICPC priorities, goals, and strategic partnerships for the upcoming term. The business meeting is open to stakeholders and health and human service professionals interested in the innerworkings of the ICPC administrative procedures and improving efficiencies and practices in interstate placements. **Member and nonmember attendees may participate in the business meeting. Open to all Full Registrants**

• Voting Matters:

○ AAICPC Operations:

- **Secretariat Services Agreement (SSA)**– The AAICPC and APHSA reached consensus regarding the NEICE and other pertinent Secretariat Services. As part of this year’s meeting, there will be a ceremonial signing of the AAICPC/APHSA agreement. A brief overview of the legal agreement and a copy of this year’s workplan will be provided as an example to guide development of the AAICPC 2023-2024 Work Plan. Post meeting, the approved 2023-2024 Work Plan will be incorporated into the 2023-2024 Secretariat Agreement.
- **AAICPC Finances** – The AAICPC Member Body will be presented with a proposed increase in the NEICE annual fee. Additional discussion will include: the NEICE funding model; costs to sustain the NEICE; and projected costs and benefits of continuing to operate 3 platforms. Still under review is the impact of incorporating collection of NEICE fees in its overall compact operations. All compact operating costs will be reviewed as part of ongoing ICPC/AAICPC reform. Key considerations for the ICPC and AAICPC Compact operations include ratification of the Revised (New) ICPC and maturation and sustainability of the NEICE.



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- **Voting Matters (cont’d): AAICPC Operations (cont’d)**
 - **National Electronic Interstate Compact Enterprise (NEICE) Update**
 - **NEICE Operations** – The National Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children Data Report findings will be presented as part of the NEICE Update. Forty-Two (42) state are using the NEICE. With the Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018 requirement looming for all states to have an interstate case processing system by October 2027, states have received a renewed opportunity to onboard NEICE with funding from the Children’s Bureau. *A special thank you to the Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Children’s Bureau for their continued support.* As the NEICE moves into NEICE 2.0, the importance of a Technical Advisory Committee is ever present. As part of Secretariat Services, APHSA and the AAICPC are working to charter and convene a Technical Advisory Committee to guide the technical and technological decisions to ensure the NEICE remains innovative and cost-effective.
 - **2022-2023 Work Plan- AAICPC Committee Reports** -Committees will report out on the 2022-2023 Term and accomplishments- Annual Business Meeting Planning, Compliance, NEICE Guidance Committee Nominations, Performance Improvement, Revised (New) ICPC, Training, etc.
 - **Revised ICPC -State Enactment** – States that have actively worked to enact the Revised ICPC during 2022-2023 will report and share their experiences, strategies, barriers, and the status of the legislation to date.
 - **2023-2024 Work Plan Development** –The AAICPC Member body will review interstate practices and compliance issues being raised by various states. Issues such as unilateral termination, unaccompanied minors, parental placements, guardianship as an illegal path to adoption and unregulated custody transfers are the most prevalent challenges other than timelines Other important initiatives will be introduced and discussed for the 2023-2024 Work Plan.
- **AAICPC Elections – Two (2) Member -at- Large Positions are open for nomination.**



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- **Federal Update –Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA)** – This session will take deeper dive and unveil lessons learned when applying Safe and Timely while using the NEICE. Are the Safe and Timely requirements clear now that timelines are automated via the NEICE? Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA or Family First) of 2018 - This is the five-year anniversary of Family First. What has been successful, challenging and marked as still in the making? Federal partners and states will discuss High markers included provisions for mental health reducing the use of congregate, residential, or group care services, and supporting in- home services. Join the discussion and bring your best case examples to illustrate the impact of FFPSA in your state.
- **Parental Home Studies: How Safe are Parental Placements without the ICPC?** Some states are no longer accepting requests for parent home studies due to legislative or judicial changes in their state. This trend conflicts with ICPC law and the AAICPC’s position regarding parental placements. Additionally, it often complicates a sending state’s requirements to determine the suitability of absent parents through the ICPC home study process. AAICPC members must balance applying the ICPC Compact with adhering to their own state’s regulations. How do states work together to protect children who are known to be placed without Compact involvement? Can both sending and receiving states effectively protect children without the umbrella of the ICPC? What is the responsibility of the AAICPC in these cases? This session will provide information on which states are denying parent home studies, how their ICPC offices are working with states who require parent home studies and best practices to employ when presented with this conflict in parent placements. Other placement concerns to be addressed include:
 - State practices of placing or requesting placement with a parent whose rights have been previously terminated.
 - The current trend of sending state courts granting adoptive parents guardianship to circumvent the ICPC.
- **The Medicaid Maze: How Can We Create a Direct Path to Medicaid for Children in Interstate Placements?** – Children placed interstate need and deserve ongoing healthcare, mental evaluations, and treatment through continuous health coverage. Whether a routine physical, learning disability, or treatment stemming mental health challenges or substance abuse, states must work together to ensure medical coverage remains in place. What happens when there is a lapse in Medicaid during an interstate placement? How do both sending and receiving states ensure that the most vulnerable can receive the medical attention they require? This session will introduce strategies and practices of how to ensure medical assistance and healthcare coverage will be available throughout the United States so that placement requests can be made with confidence for the children that need it.

AAICPC Training, Annual Business Meeting and Child Welfare Conference

AAICPC Business Meeting and Child Welfare Conference includes meeting materials, breakfast, breaks, the President's Opening Reception, the AAICPC Awards Luncheon, in the Full Registration Fee. The schedule below has blended sessions of the AAICPC Business Meeting and Child Welfare Sessions. The ICPC Training is May 15th and May 16th. The business meeting will convene Wednesday, May 17 – Thursday, May 18, 2023. The new 2023-2024 AAICPC Executive Committee will meet briefly at the close of the business meeting and conference. (*) Denotes that Lunch may be on your own.

Monday, May 15 2023	Tuesday, May 16, 2023	Wednesday, May 17, 2023	Thursday, May 18, 2023
ICPC Training Training Registrants	ICPC Training Conclusion Training Registrants	AAICPC Business Meeting Opening Session All Full Registrants	AAICPC Business Meeting and Blended Conference Sessions All Full Registrants
7:00 – 8:00 Breakfast	7:00 – 8:00 Breakfast	7:00 – 8:00 Breakfast	7:00 – 8:00 Breakfast
8:00 – 9:30 ICPC Training Introduction -Part I Track I and II Training Registrants	8:30 – 12:00 ICPC Training Track I and Track II Training Registrants	8:00 -12:00 AAICPC Business Meeting and Blended Conference Sessions Full Registrants	8:00 -12:00 AAICPC Business Meeting and Blended Conference Sessions Full Registrants
9:30 – 12:00 ICPC Training Track I and Track II Training Registrants			
12:00 – 1:00 Training Luncheon	12:00 – 1:00 *Lunch on your own	12:00 – 1:00 *Lunch on your own	12:00-1:30 AAICPC Awards Luncheon All Full Registrants
2:00 – 5:00 ICPC Training Track I and Track II Training Registrants	1:00 -3:30 ICPC Training Track I and Track II	1:30 – 5:00 AAICPC Business Meeting and Blended Conference Sessions Full Registrants	1:30 – 5:00 AAICPC Business Meeting and Blended Conference Sessions
	3:30 – 5:00 ICPC Training Concludes		
		5:30 p.m., C.T. President's Opening Reception and Networking Event	5:00 p.m., C.T. Adjourn

2023 AAICPC Meeting and Training Fees

(Fees are per person)

Full Registration Fees

State Government Agency	\$650
Non-profit Agency	\$650
Federal Agency	\$650
Private Agency/Individual	\$650
Host State Government Agency (Louisiana)	\$575

Training Fees

ICPC Training FEE (+Full Registration) (If registered for Full Registration) <i>(ICPC Training fee is separate and in addition to all other fees and includes all training materials, breakfast, breaks and lunch as indicated in the scheduling table.)</i>	\$325
ICPC Training Only Fee (If registered for the ICPC Training, only) <i>(ICPC Training fee is separate and in addition to all other fees and includes all training materials, breakfast, breaks and lunch as indicated in the scheduling table.)</i>	\$425
ICPC Training Only Fee -Host State (Louisiana) (If registered for the ICPC Training, only) <i>(ICPC Training fee is separate and in addition to all other fees and includes all training materials, breakfast, breaks and lunch as indicated in the scheduling table.)</i>	\$325

*Other Fees may apply based on registration categories (e.g., on-site registration, events, etc.).
Please refer to online registration as it becomes available for a comprehensive list of 2023 AAICPC
Conference Fees. To register for the 2023 AAICPC Convening, please click the following link:
<https://cvent.me/4zP4ow>.*

Thank you! We look forward to seeing you in New Orleans, LA!!!