



## Searching for Adoptee or Birth Parent

- **Nipissing First Nation Member**
- **Adopted and over 18 years of Age**
- **A Birth Parent**
- **An Adult Birth Relative - brother , sister, grandparent  
( only should the Birth parent be Deceased )**

Contact Juliette McLeod, Membership Clerk at the Nipissing First Nation Lands Office for information.

**All information will be kept confidential.**

**On the envelope write “Confidential” and attention  
Juliette McLeod, Membership clerk.**

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## **MAKING THE DECISION TO SEARCH**

**Making the decision to search is a rough one. You know it can bring you pain or it can bring you joy.**

**If you are having some medical problems and need information about your medical background this certainly is a good reason for a search. As a birth mother you may feel it is very important to get the medical information to your child.**

**If you want to know that your birth mother fared well in life and didn't suffer from having put you up for adoption, then search.**

**If you want to know that your child has had a good home with a good family, then search.**

### **QUESTION TO ASK YOURSELF**

- **Where were you born?**
- **What hospital?**
- **Who was the attending physician?**
- **What was the name of the agency/lawyer who handled the placement?**
- **In what court was the adoption handled?**
- **When was the placement ( date ) ?**
- **When did the adoption become final?**
- **What was your name at birth?**

**Also include any information you have about your birth parents/relatives**

**You may also gather documents that have important information.**

- **Your amended birth certificate**
- **Your petition to adopt (from the court)**
- **Your final decree of adoption (from the court)**
- **Your hospital birth records**

## **SEARCH FOR ADOPTEE OR BIRTH PARENT**

**If you apply for an application to search for an adoptee or birth parent through the Nipissing First Nation band office, this is to remind you that it would be easy to locate the person because we are only dealing with Nipissing First Nation members.**

**All information will be kept confidential and will not be posted out to the public. This will be kept on file until a match is made based on the information on your applications.**

**This is also to remind you that the search could only be done if you are an Adopted person over 18 years of age or a Birth Parent.**

**An adult birth relative brother, sister, grandparent could apply ( Only should the birth parent be deceased).**

## **SEARCH FOR FOSTERED CHILD**

**If you are a Nipissing First Nation Band member and were a fostered child, you could also contact the office to locate your relatives. Also a relative could inquire on locating the fostered child.**

# OBTAIN YOUR BIRTH NAME

## **Adoptee**

Adults who were adopted in Ontario are entitled to receive a copy of their Adoption order. Most adoptive parents keep the original documentation in a safe place and are willing to share it if asked by their son/daughter.

This document shows the "Birth" name until the 1970's this includes both given and surnames of the adoptee.

## **Fostered Adults**

Adults who grew up in foster care are entitled to receive a copy of their long form birth registrations. This document will tell you your parents full name and address at the time of birth.

The current fee for this document is \$35.00 at the vital statistics office in Toronto or Thunder Bay.

# Adoptee

## Section A Personal Information

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Given names: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

| Home Address       | Mailing address    |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Street: _____      | Street: _____      |
| City: _____        | City: _____        |
| Prov: _____        | Prov: _____        |
| Postal code: _____ | Postal Code: _____ |

Telephone Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Work: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section: B Adoption Data

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Adoptive Surname          | Given Names |
|                           |             |
| Adoptive Mother's Surname | Given Names |
|                           |             |
| Adoptive Father's Surname | Given Names |
|                           |             |

## Section C Birth Data

|                           |                        |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Birth Surname ( if known) | Given Names (if known) |
|                           |                        |
| Place of Birth            | Prov/State Country     |
|                           |                        |

Please provide any information that may be of assistance in writing and attach to this application.

If you move, please advise us of change of address.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature



Date

Applicant's Signature

# CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_  
name address  
\_\_\_\_\_ am requesting background

information for my use.

\_\_\_\_ as an adoptee ]  
\_\_\_\_ as an adoptive parent ] Please check one  
\_\_\_\_ as a birth parent ]  
\_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_ ]

I am the person to whom the information pertains and I release the Band Membership Clerk of Nipissing First Nation from any liability or consequences pertaining to the release of this information. I understand that this office will not release any information of an identifying nature in this regard.

Enclosed is a photostat copy of \_\_\_\_\_ as proof of my identification.

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Witness

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Applicant's signature

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Address

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Address

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Date

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Date