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## SURROGATE PARENT APPLICATION

### **Contact Information**

NAME		
Home address		
	Street Name/Number	
City	State	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone	
E-mail address		
Place of Employment		
Work address		
	Street Name/Number	
City	State	Zip
Work Phone		
E-mail address		

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# **Background Information:** Please answer the following by circling "Yes" or "No".

e you at least eighteen (18) years of age?	Yes	No
e you a legal resident of the United States?	Yes	No
esponsible for, or involved in the education or care of the child o requires an Educational Surrogate Parent? If yes, please explain: cample: Do you work for a school district or a State agency or any ag	Yes	
child receives services?)		
e you an approved foster parent?	Yes	No
e you an approved foster parent?	Yes	No
o, what agency?	Yes	No
o, what agency?		_

Why do you want to volunteer as a Surrogate Parent?

## The information I have provided is accurate and complete.

Print Name (Surrogate Parent Applicant)

 Signature – (Surrogate Parent Applicant)

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Date

Date

## AGREEMENT of VOLUNTEER SERVICES

between the Surrogate Parent and the Surrogate Parent Program/Parent Information Center of DE

A Surrogate Parent is a volunteer who assumes the parental rights for an eligible child under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). A Surrogate Parent acts as the child's "parent" for Early Intervention or Special Education purposes only. The Surrogate Parent is to be included in all team decisions related to Early Intervention or Special Education and Related Services.

As a Surrogate Parent, I agree to the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Identify myself as a Surrogate Parent when participating in meetings and on all Correspondence.
- Conduct myself in a professional and respectful manner.
- Notify the Surrogate Parent Program with questions or concerns about my role.
  - Communicate regularly with the Surrogate Parent Program Coordinator.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Keep information about the child confidential.
  - Follow school/agency rules, policies and codes of conduct.
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Participate in required training to maintain my Surrogate Parent status.

### **Requirements for NEW Surrogate Parents**

- 1. Participate in an initial training that includes the role and responsibilities of a Surrogate Parent and an overview of early intervention and/or special education services and the foster care system.
- 2. Participate in annual refresher or as-needed training to maintain eligibility status.
- Training opportunities provided by PIC in various formats.

### **Requirements for Existing Surrogate Parents**

1. Participate in annual refresher or as-needed training related to Surrogate Parent Program updates, early intervention, special education and/or other relevant topics. Training opportunities provided by PIC in various formats.

I understand that my role a Surrogate Parent may be discontinued if my actions/advocacy is found to not be in the best interest of my child.

### Name of Surrogate Parent:

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SIGNATURE

Date\_\_\_\_\_

Date received by Surrogate Parent Program/PIC \_\_\_\_\_

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