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SUBJECT: Caregiver Travel During State of Emergency

*****Update at 5:00 P.M.—**Circuit 20 has issued an administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency for Hurricane Irma. The order expires on September 22nd. Also, Circuit 4 has an administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.

*****Update at 2:30 P.M.—**Circuit 11 has issued administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency for Hurricane Irma.

*****Update at 11:00 A.M.—**Circuit 17 has issued administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency for Hurricane Irma.

Below is a circuit breakdown of the authority granting a caregiver the ability to travel during a declared state of emergency and the extent of that authority. Note that all administrative orders and courts orders contemplate that the caregiver must notify the Department through the CBC of the caregiver’s travel plans.

Circuit 1	Standard order language permits a caregiver to remove the child from the jurisdiction with the approval of DCF through the CBC.
Circuit 2	Standard order language permits a caregiver to remove the child from the jurisdiction with the approval of DCF through the CBC.
Circuit 3	Court has an administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.

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Circuit 4	Court has an administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.
Circuit 5	Court has an administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.
Circuit 6	Court has an administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency for Hurricane Irma.
Circuit 7	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.
Circuit 8	Standard court order language permits in-state or out-of-state travel for up to 14 days without further court order.
Circuit 9	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.
Circuit 10	<p>Circuit 10 has an Admin Order which allows travel in state for emergencies.</p> <p>The court is requiring CLS submit a motion and order for each child traveling out of state, but is allowing them as emergency motions.</p>
Circuit 11	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency for Hurricane Irma.
Circuit 12	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.
Circuit 13	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency for Hurricane Irma.
Circuit 14	Standard order language permits a caregiver to remove the child from the jurisdiction with the approval of DCF through the CBC.
Circuit 15	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.
Circuit 16	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.
Circuit 17	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency for Hurricane Irma.
Circuit 18	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.

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Circuit 19	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency.
Circuit 20	Court has administrative order permitting travel anywhere in U.S. during state of emergency. Order expires on September 22, 2017.