

ADVISORY GROUP VIRGINIA'S ADOPTION HOME STUDY PROCESS WORKSHEET

During the 2016 General Assembly Session, Delegate Christopher Peace introduced House Joint Resolution 103. The resolution directed the Commission on Youth to study **Virginia's Adoption Home Study Process**, including:

- The current mutual family assessment home study format and curriculum;
- The process by which home studies are completed by staff of local departments of social services and licensed private child-placing agencies; and
- The potential benefits of implementation of a uniform home study format established by the Department of Social Services for all home studies completed in the Commonwealth.

Discussion Items

- Do any modifications need to be made to Virginia's current mutual family assessment home study format and curriculum?

- How can Virginia support and improve the process by which home studies are completed?

- Discuss the possibility and/or barriers of implementing a portable uniform home study format.

- Other suggestions for ways we can improve Virginia's Adoption Home Study Process.