

Work-around for Initiative Tribes using SSIS and the Adoption Assistance Eligibility Determination

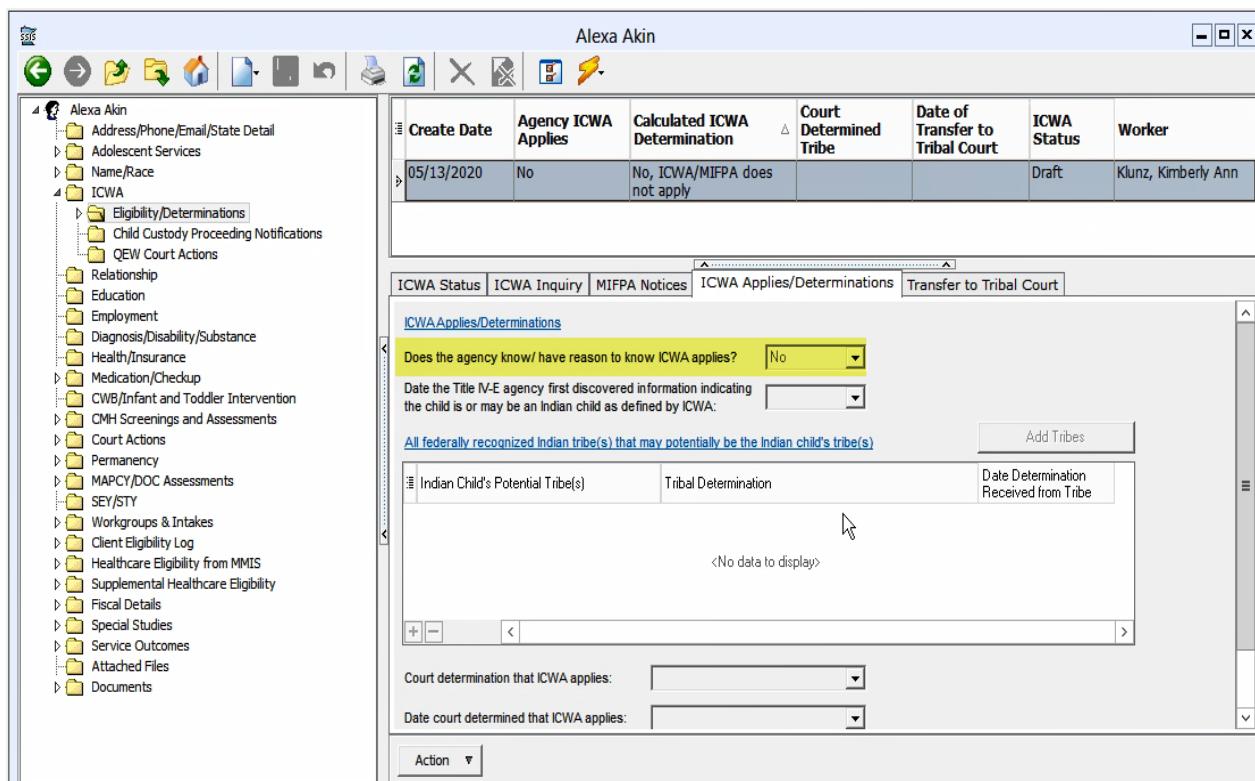
For the question “ICWA applies”, the system should automatically recognize that ICWA does not apply to children receiving services provided by the initiative tribes using the SSIS system, and should autofill “No”, without workers entering ICWA records for these children. **This will be fixed in a future release.**

Current work-around

Once a child needs to have the Adoption Assistance Eligibility Determination created:

Create an ICWA record for the child and set the question on the **ICWA Applies/Determinations** tab “Does the agency know/have reason to know ICWA applies?” to “**No.**” This will set the Calculated ICWA Determination for the child to “**No, ICWA/MIFPA does not apply.**” The ICWA Status can be left as “Draft.” Once this is completed, the fields on the **Adoption Assistance Eligibility Determination** will be filled as follows:

- **ICWA applies** – will be set to **No**
- **ICWA adopt plcmt pref** – will not be required



Create Date	Agency ICWA Applies	Calculated ICWA Determination	Court Determined Tribe	Date of Transfer to Tribal Court	ICWA Status	Worker
05/13/2020	No	No, ICWA/MIFPA does not apply			Draft	Klunz, Kimberly Ann

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ICWA Applies/Determinations

Does the agency know/ have reason to know ICWA applies? **No**

Date the Title IV-E agency first discovered information indicating the child is or may be an Indian child as defined by ICWA:

All federally recognized Indian tribe(s) that may potentially be the Indian child's tribe(s)

Indian Child's Potential Tribe(s)	Tribal Determination	Date Determination Received from Tribe
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Court determination that ICWA applies:

Date court determined that ICWA applies:

Action

If workers enter an ICWA record indicating that ICWA applies, then the “ICWA adopt plcmt pref” will also be required, and this is **incorrect**. ICWA is a US federal law, which does not apply when an initiative tribe is the responsible agency.

The screenshot shows the SSIS Worker/Fiscal application window. On the left is a navigation tree with various service categories. The main right pane is titled 'Setup' for a document named 'Northstar Adoption Assistance Eligibility Determination'. The document is in 'Draft' status with a status change date of 5/7/2020 1:53:25 PT. The 'Participant' section lists 'Samuel Richard' as the participant. The 'Child ward verification' section includes fields for 'Child ward', 'Legal status', 'Continuous placement dates', 'Placement location dates', 'Adoptive parent 1', 'Adoptive parent 1 citizenship status', 'Adoptive parent 2', 'Adoptive parent 2 citizenship status', 'Removal from home', 'Best interest statement', 'ICWA applies', and 'ICWA adopt plcmt pref'. The 'ICWA adopt plcmt pref' field is highlighted with a yellow box, and a tooltip message is displayed: 'ICWA adopt plcmt pref' is required. Other fields in this section include 'FC pymt prior to guardianship' (set to 'Yes') and 'IV-E FC pymt during cont plcmt' (set to 'No'). The 'Address' section shows an address of '86 2nd Avenue NW'.