



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Social Services**

## **Intercountry Adoption Central Authorities Meeting Communiqué**

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The Department of Social Services as the Australian Central Authority (ACA) for intercountry adoption and State and Territory Central Authorities (STCAs) met virtually on 31 March 2022, to discuss intercountry adoption matters and actions arising from the 4 November 2021 STCA meeting.

### **Updates from the Australian Central Authority**

The ACA provided updates on key intercountry adoption program and policy developments.

The ACA discussed a proposal to design and implement a National Curriculum for prospective adoptive parents considering intercountry adoption.

### **National Action Plan (NAP)**

The ACA and STCAs have developed a draft new NAP which will focus on a changing global intercountry adoption landscape. The new NAP will cover the period 2022-23 and 2023-24.

The final NAP will be submitted to the Children and Families Secretaries Group for endorsement following formal agreement from STCAs.