



Tennessee Department of Children's Services
**Authorization for DCS Custodial Child to Travel
 Out-of-State/Out-of-Country**

Dear _____
 (Foster Parent's Name/ approved Caretaker)

This letter will serve as your authorization to travel out-of-state/out-of-country with:

_____	_____	_____	_____
(Child's Name)	(Birth Date)	(Child's Name)	(Birth Date)
_____	_____	_____	_____
(Child's Name)	(Birth Date)	(Child's Name)	(Birth Date)
_____	_____	_____	_____
(Child's Name)	(Birth Date)	(Child's Name)	(Birth Date)

for the period _____ to _____. Our authorization for you, as foster parents or approved caretakers, to consent to necessary medical care must be taken with you so that you will be able to secure treatment in the event of illness or an accident. In cases where a DCS youth gets sick and needs to be seen by a doctor, please first contact a TennCare Select Representative at 888-422-2963 to secure a provider willing to accept the youth's TennCare insurance. For any life-threatening medical emergencies, please take the youth to the nearest Emergency Room. In cases of severe illness or accident, immediate notice must be given to us by contacting the youth's DCS worker _____ at _____ or, for after hour situations, the on-call worker at _____.

We understand your itinerary to be as indicated below and that you can be contacted at these locations in case of emergency.

Approval for you to travel out-of-state/out-of-country with this child is given with full confidence in your ability to act responsibly in his/her behalf and in accordance with our placement contract.

ITINERARY*

Dates	Address	Telephone Number
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Very Sincerely Yours,

_____	_____	_____
<i>Team Leader</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
_____	_____	_____
<i>Regional Director/designee</i>	<i>Approval Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

*If extensive travel is involved and definite itinerary cannot be known in advance, indicate that it is tentative and identify local relative or friend who will be able to contact foster parents.