

Shenandoah Valley Social Services
Out of State Travel Policy

NO OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL CAN OCCUR WITHOUT SVDSS DIRECTOR'S WRITTEN PERMISISON. For a child in foster care to travel out-of-state with Approved Foster Parents for Shenandoah Valley DSS, written permission from the agency director or assistant director and Foster Care Supervisor must be obtained. The location and dates of travel must be received by Shenandoah Valley DSS no less than 10 days prior to the travel. The child's planning team may need to meet to determine if the travel will be approved if it will affect any services, education, medical treatment or family contact. If the child will be supervised by anyone other than an Approved Foster Parent for SVDSS, then separate inquiries must be made by SVDSS to establish the safety screening of the proposed supervision. Please do not assume travel will be approved without obtaining approval from the SVDSS Director. While this is not currently state policy, it is Shenandoah Valley Social Services policy.