**Section 315.225 Adoption**

a) Description

An adoptive home will be sought for the child.

b) Criteria for Selection

1) Adoption may be selected as the permanency goal when parental rights of both parents have been terminated or relinquished through:

A) adoptive surrenders; or

B) consents, including consents to adoption by a specified person; or

C) action by the court to terminate parental rights with the appointment of the Department as guardian with the power to consent to the child's adoption; or

D) death; and

2) adoption has been determined to be in the best interest of the child; and

3) the child, if age 14 years or over, consents to the adoption.