

As a result of the adoption of the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 2014, <u>former</u> residents of Mississippi seeking a Mississippi interstate background check will have the following checks completed via a fingerprint-based submission to the Mississippi Criminal Information Center (MCIC):

- 1) A Mississippi state criminal history record check.
- 2) A Mississippi sex offender registry or repository check.
- 3) A Mississippi child abuse and neglect registry and database check (see below link)

## \*\* Mississippi does not participate in the National Fingerprint File Program

Please follow the below steps to request a Mississippi interstate background check request:

- Click the following link to complete payment for background check. The background check will cost \$50.00 and must be paid online. <u>Criminal History Fingerprint Payment Portal</u>. Choose child care from the drop-down menu and use the following facility code: CH0104758 when prompted.
  \*Please note on the credit card checkout page the "Customer Info" address should match the billing address associated with the credit card.
- 2) Once payment is complete, visit a local sheriff's office, police station, or other entity to request fingerprinting on a fingerprint card. Mail the completed fingerprint card to the mailing address below (if fingerprint card is needed, please contact Brittany Orr at 601-364-5062 or email CHRCUnit@msdh.ms.gov)
- 3) Click <u>Here</u> to complete the Mississippi Child Abuse and Neglect Registry form. Choose Child Care Facilities option once you get into the form.

Mail Completed Fingerprint Card to: Mississippi State Department of Health Criminal History Record Check Unit Attn: Brittany Orr 143B LeFleur's Square Jackson, MS. 39211

If mailing a card via USPS, please obtain a tracking number to monitor location of card.

4) Use this link to request a Mississippi Sex Offender Registry Check: Public Sex Offender Registry

If mailing a card via USPS, please obtain a tracking number to monitor location of card.

**NOTE**: The Mississippi State Department of Health does not conduct name-based background searches. Please submit a physical fingerprint card to complete the Mississippi background check.

For questions regarding the above process, contact Brittany Orr (601.364.5062) or email <u>CHRCUnit@msdh.ms.gov</u>.