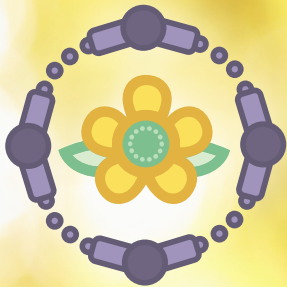


# The First Nations Child and Family Services and Jordan's Principle Settlement has been approved. **This is what this means for you.**



## First Nations Child and Family Services and Jordan's Principle Settlement

The Court has approved the Settlement Agreement in the First Nations Child and Family Services and Jordan's Principle Class Action. This means that Canada will pay \$23.34 billion in compensation for impacted First Nations children and some of their family members.

This notice provides information about the Settlement. You can find more information and sign up for updates at [www.fnchildclaims.ca](http://www.fnchildclaims.ca) or you can call 1-833-852-0755.

### **What's the Settlement about?**

The Settlement provides compensation to First Nations children living on reserves or in the Yukon who were removed from their homes by child welfare agencies operating in First Nations communities and placed in out-of-home care between April 1, 1991 and March 31, 2022.

The Settlement also provides compensation to First Nations children who did not receive timely access to essential services and who had a confirmed need for those services between April 1, 1991 and November 2, 2017. This treatment discriminated against the children and broke a legal rule known as Jordan's Principle.

## Am I included in the Settlement?

**Compensation is not yet available.** When it becomes available, you may be eligible for compensation if you are one or more of the following:

<b>A child removed from their home or placed off-reserve</b> Removed Child Class	<b>A child who had a denial or delay of an essential service</b> Jordan's Principle Class Trout Child Class Essential Service Class	<b>A child placed off-reserve</b> Kith Child Class* Kith Family Class*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• First Nations children who, while under the age of majority between April 1, 1991 and March 31, 2022, were living on a reserve and were removed from their homes by child welfare authorities or voluntarily placed into care.</li><li>• The placement was funded by Indigenous Services Canada (ISC).</li><li>• At least one caregiver (parents or grandparents) were resident on reserve or living in the Yukon.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• First Nations children (living on-reserve or off-reserve) who were confirmed to need an essential service but faced a delay, denial or a gap in receiving that essential service between April 1, 1991 and November 2, 2017.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• First Nations children placed off-reserve with a non-family caregiver.</li><li>• The caregiver did not receive any funding related to the placement.</li><li>• A Child Welfare Authority was involved at the time of the placement.</li><li>• Caregiving parent or grandparent of children of the Kith Child Class</li></ul> <p>*If you think you are in this group or their parent or grandparent, and you <b>want to be excluded from the settlement</b>, you can remove yourself by submitting an Opt-Out Form, by January 15, 2024. If you submit the Opt-Out Form, <b>you will not receive compensation</b> from the settlement.</p>
<p><b>The caregiving parent or grandparent of a child who experienced removal or a delay or denial of an essential service</b></p> <p>This includes birth, adoptive and step parents. It does not include foster parents.</p> <p>Removed Child Family Class   Jordan's Principle Family Class Trout Family Class</p>		



A fund of \$50 million will be established to assist First Nations children and families impacted by Canada's discrimination. An additional fund of \$90 million will be established to benefit high-needs Jordan's Principle class members to ensure their personal dignity and well-being.

## When will I receive compensation?

The first Claim Forms will be available in several months. Please visit [www.fnchildclaims.ca](http://www.fnchildclaims.ca) for more information, updates and timelines, and to find out when Claim Forms will be available.

## What can I do now?

Sign up for updates at [www.fnchildclaims.ca](http://www.fnchildclaims.ca). This will ensure that you receive updates on the claims process and a copy of the Claim Forms when they are available.

## There are supports and resources available to help you understand the Settlement and apply for compensation when the claims process is open.



To learn more about the Settlement and sign up for updates on the claims process, visit [www.fnchildclaims.ca](http://www.fnchildclaims.ca).



Claims support services are available by calling the Administrator at **1-833-852-0755**.



If you are experiencing emotional distress and would like to speak with a counsellor, please contact the **Hope for Wellness Helpline** at **1-855-242-3310**, or visit [www.hopeforwellness.ca](http://www.hopeforwellness.ca) to chat.