Individual Membership New / Renewal (please circle) Street / Postal Address: _____ Suburb / Town: State: _____ Post Code: _____ Telephone: Mobile: Email Address: Preferred method of contact: Post / Phone / Email / Text Message I have read and will adhere to the Code of Conduct for members of Fin WA as contained in this brochure. I understand that my information will be included in the register of members. If this is a renewal of membership, a nomination is not required. Name of nominating member: (if you don't know anyone, call the office) Office use: Date received Approved: Date approved _____ Date processed:

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Membership **Application** Form

Individual / Organisational

Fin WA supports families with children in care

'promoting the enduring rights of and benefits to a child by having their parents, family and community involved in respectful and inclusive processes with the child protection system.'

Why become a member?

Becoming a member of Fin WA means you support the aims and objectives of the agency and you agree with Fin WA providing a 'voice' for parents in the child protection system.

As a member:

- You will be kept informed of changes in child protection policies;
- You will have opportunities to provide input to policy consultations and other forums;
- You may be asked to participate in research or evaluation processes;
- You will be kept informed of the services being provided by Fin WA;
- You will be invited to general meetings and other events;
- You will be assisting to make the child protection system more inclusive of parents and family members.

The application process

All applicants must be nominated by an existing member of the Association. All applicants must agree to the Code of Conduct. An organisation may appoint a representative however an application must be signed by an authorized person from within the organisation. Once your application is received, it will be presented at the next meeting of the Fin WA Committee for consideration.

You will be contacted immediately following the meeting to let you know your application has been accepted or not. If your application is declined you will be advised how to challenge the decision if you wish to do so.

If your application is accepted, your name or organisation's name and address must be recorded in a register of members. You will receive a receipt for payment of your fees plus a copy of the Rules of Association and other relevant information.

Members' code of conduct.

Fin WA members must always:

- act honestly, fairly, reasonably, in good faith and in a socially responsible manner
- treat others with respect and dignity
- value the diversity of our community
- recognise and avoid conflicts of interest
- comply with the letter and spirit of the law

Fin WA members must never:

- take improper advantage of their position
- mislead others
- make improper use of information they have obtained
- disclose confidential information
- otherwise behave in a way that will reflect badly on Fin WA

Objectives of Fin WA

- Empowering parents and families to participate meaningfully in the child protection system
- Fostering a collaborative and inclusive child protection system
- Enhancing the positive role of natural parents and families within the child protection system
- Developing and sustaining a viable, effective organisation

Membership fees*

*Subject to confirmation at AGM.

Fees are due by 1st July each year *If payment is received after 31st December the fee will be halved.*

Organisational fee \$50 Individual fee (waged) \$20 Individual fee - unwaged or parent \$5

I wish to apply to have the fee waived

Payment can be made by using Paypal, EFT, cheque or cash.

If you wish to pay by credit card via Paypal, please go to our website www.finwa.org.au and click on Donate. Alternatively you can pay directly into our bank account, details are:

Bendigo Bank

BSB: 633000

Account no: 129388625

Name: The Family Inclusion Network of

WA Inc

Reference: Your Full Name/Name of

Organisation

Please indicate by ticking this box if you would like to consider volunteering for Fin WA. We will make contact with you to discuss further.