

# Exercising jurisdiction over child and family services as a section 35 rights-bearing Indigenous group



## Option 1

An Indigenous governing body has **developed its own legislation**

Indigenous governing body sends a **notice** to the Minister of Indigenous Services and relevant provincial or territorial governments

Indigenous governing body exercises their jurisdiction over child and family services but their laws on child and family services **do not prevail** over federal, provincial and territorial laws

## Option 2

An Indigenous governing body has **developed its own legislation** and intends to exercise their jurisdiction over child and family services

Indigenous governing body **sends a request to enter into a tripartite coordination agreement** with Indigenous Services Canada and relevant provincial or territorial governments

Coordination agreement **reached within 12 months**

or

**Reasonable efforts to reach a** coordination agreement were made during the period of 12 months, including use of alternative dispute resolution mechanism

Indigenous governing body exercises their jurisdiction over child and family services and their laws on child and family services **prevail** over federal, provincial and territorial laws

