Interested in Becoming an Adoptive Parent?

Adoption Choices is a local, private, not-for-profit, licensed adoption agency working with singles and couples considering adoption by providing home study, post-placement, consultation and matching services for private domestic infant adoption, step, and/or second parent adoption, and private agency adoption.

Our well-established relationships with adoption agencies and attorneys, as well as our Colorado, Nevada, and Oklahoma offices, enable us to help New York residents adopt a child regardless of where in the United States an expectant parent resides.

Our staff have extensive adoption experience and we offer compassionate, sensitive, and knowledgeable support.

What Makes Us Unique?

• Highly trained and caring staff
• Extensive collaborative network nationwide
• Provide home study and/or post-placement services
• Individualized adoption planning
• Personal, compassionate attention
• Welcoming of all types of families; including singles, couples, and LGBTQ families
• Able to work with adoptive parents and birth mothers in many states throughout the country

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Our Adoption Process:

1. Application - all individuals and families interested in working with us must complete an application to be considered as an adoptive parent.

2. Home Study - a home study requires interviews with all household members and includes background checks, child protective checks, personal references, medical screenings, and other required documents. It is a comprehensive report about your family, childhood, relationships, health, finances, home and community, religion, attitudes toward parenting, and motivation to adopt. We can complete the home study for you! Adoptive parents who have already completed a home study can work with us too! We will contact your home study provider to obtain the documentation and update or convert your home study so you will be ready for matching.

3. Profiles - adoptive parent profiles are created and shown to birth parents to select adoptive parents. We encourage families to create their own profile to showcase their unique personalities and strengths.

4. Matching - once matched, our staff can facilitate an introductory meeting between the birth parents and adoptive parents and will continue to provide updates and support for ongoing communication.

5. Placement - birth parents may request that the adoptive parents are present at the hospital for delivery. In most cases, the baby is placed with the adoptive parents directly from the hospital.

6. Post-Placement Supervision - this is a requirement for all adoptions. Reports and recommendations are sent to the agencies and the court for finalization.

7. Finalization - attorneys are generally required to finalize, so you will need to hire an attorney to complete the adoption. Most families finalize in 6 months or less, depending on their state law.

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How Long Does it Take to Adopt? Because the majority of birth parents choose the adoptive families, it is difficult to predict how long a family may wait. The length of your wait often depends on how flexible you are with your child criteria.

What Are Your Adoption Fees? The costs for adoption placement will vary as they are determined by the individual birth mother's needs. An application fee is due at the time of application. Once matched, a contract will be sent to you and the total amount will be due.

Who is Eligible to Adopt? We welcome diversity and accept families of any composition, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or religious background.

What is Open Adoption? There are many levels of openness in adoption which can include open, semi-open, and closed adoptions. We will help you work together with the birth parents to plan the child’s adoption.

We encourage open communication between the birth and adoptive families!