



All About Love Adoptions

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HOW TO ADOPT “CHEAT SHEET”

Although there is no “simple” plan for adoption and every family has their own unique experience, here are a few tips about how to get started on your path to adoption!

1. We suggest that that you first decide what type of adoption you are interested in. The broad categories are international, domestic infant and foster care adoption. If you would like help exploring these options to find the best fit for your family give us a call!
2. Once you decide what type of adoption is right for you, you will need to choose adoption professionals to help you on your way. You will definitely need an agency to complete your *adoption home study*, and if you choose our home study program we will be happy to help you decide how to do this. That may mean using our programs and attorney, or it may mean you assemble a team of professionals to meet your needs. Either way, we can help!
3. Once your home study is done the “waiting” begins, either to be matched with a birth mother or a waiting child. We suggest that during the waiting period you do more reading about the specific areas of adoption that interest you. Many families also choose to use the waiting time to take a vacation or make celebrations special before having the added responsibility and expense of a child, as each child changes your life style and budget! Some families begin to prepare registries for parties and showers when their child arrives, others focus on other interests and activities while they wait.
4. Once you are matched with a child or birth mother, the adoption professionals facilitating the placement will help you specify time frames and what is needed to prepare for that specific adoption.
5. When your child is home, the adoption professionals (especially the attorney finalizing the adoption) will specify for you how many post placement visits/reports you will need to complete your adoption process. If you choose **All About Love Adoptions**, your home study social worker will gladly schedule and complete those with you!
6. Once your adoption is finalized you will be able to focus on moving forward with your new family. You will also want to check with your tax professional to find out if you can take advantage of the adoption tax credit!

***Call, text or e-mail us today to learn more about how we can help
you get started (and/or finished) with your adoption process!!***

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