

ADOPTION INFORMATION/APPLICATION FOR ADOPTIVE HOME ASSESSMENT

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**Please note this application is for families living in Oklahoma pursuing an adoption home study ONLY. For families looking to use ACO as a placing agency, please complete the "placing agency application."

** Please note that no work will begin on the home study until payment is received.

First Applicant's full name (including maiden, if applicable):
Second Applicant's full name (including maiden, if applicable):
Home address:
Home telephone number: ()
First Applicant's cell/mobile number: () E-mail:
Second Applicant's cell/mobile number: () E-mail:
Home fax number: ()
Date and place of marriage:
Date and place of marriage:
Who referred you to us?
PERSONAL INFORMATION FIRST APPLICANT: Age; date of birth; birthplace
Social Security No.:
Race/Nationality:
Weight and Height:
Education:
Occupation:
Employer:
How long?
Office address:
Office telephone:Fax
Office e-mail:
Annual income:
Religious preference:
Dates of previous marriages and divorces:
Children by previous marriages: (ages and custody status)

SECOND APPLICANT: Age, date of birthplace :		
Social Security No.:		
Race/Nationality:		
Weight and Height:		
Education:		
Occupation:		
Employer:		
How long?		
Office address:		
Office telephone:	Fax	
Office e-mail:		
Annual income:		
Religious preference:		
Dates of previous marriages and di	vorces:	
Children by previous marriages: (a	ges and custody status)	
OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBER	ς.	
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Relationship		
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Name:	Birthdate:	
Relationship		
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Name:	Birthdate:	
Relationship		
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Name:	Birthdate:	
Relationship	Birthplace:	
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ADULT CHILDREN WHO NO LO	ONGER LIVE IN THE HOUSE:	
Name:	Birthdate:	
Relationship	Birthplace:	
Telephone number:		
Name:	Birthdate:	
Relationship	Birthplace:	
Telephone number:		
Name:		
Relationship	Birthplace:	
Telephone number:		

FAMILY BACKGROUND

FIRST APPLICANT:	
Father's name:	
Address:	
Phone number:	
	Birthdate/Birthplace
If deceased, year and cause of death	
High School graduate? Yes No	
If yes, name of school and graduation year	
College graduate? Yes No	
If yes, name of school and graduation year	
Mother's name:	
Address:	
Phone number:	
	Birthdate/Birthplace
If deceased, year and cause of death	<u>-</u>
High School graduate? Yes No	_
If yes, name of school and graduation year	
College graduate? Yes No	
If yes, name of school and graduation year	
Brothers and/or sisters:	
Name:	
Address:	
	Birth date/Birthplace
Age and occupation:	
Marital status and spouse's name:	
Names and ages of children:	
If deceased, year and cause of death	
High School graduate? YesNo	
If yes, name of school and graduation year	
College graduate? Yes No	
If yes, name of school and graduation year	
Name:	
Address:	
Phone number:	Birth date/birthplace
Age and occupation:	
Marital status and spouse's name:	
Names and ages of children:	
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If deceased, year and cause of death	
High School graduate? YesNo	
If yes, name of school and graduation year _	
College graduate? Yes No	
If yes, name of school and graduation year _	
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Name:	
Address:	
	_Birth date/birthplace
Age and occupation:	
Marital status and spouse's name:	
If deceased, year and cause of death	
High School graduate? YesNo	
If yes, name of school and graduation year _	
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SECOND APPLICANT:	
Father's name:	
Address:	
Phone number:	
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If deceased, year and cause of death	
High School graduate? YesNo	
College graduate? Yes No	
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Mother's name:	
Phone number:	
	Birthdate/birthplace

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Marital status and spouse's name:	
Names and ages of children:	
If deceased, year and cause of death	
High School graduate? YesNo	
If yes, name of school and graduation year _	
College graduate? YesNo	
If yes, name of school and graduation year _	
MEDICAL PROBLE	EMS: PAST OR PRESENT
First Applicant:	
Medical marijuana card: Yes No	(if you please provide conv)
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Second Applicant:	
Medical marijuana card: Yes No	(if you places provide copy)
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	ANCE ABUSE
` 1	atient or in-patient) for substance abuse? If yes,
please explain.	
Has either applicant been diagnosed with a	drug or alcohol addiction? If yes, please explain.
The chiler applicant been diagnosed what a	and of alcohor addressors. If yes, preuse explains
	y recreational drugs (legal or not legal)? If yes,
please explain.	

REFERENCES
Please list three references of NON-RELATIVES who have written letters on your behalf. It if preferable that the references have known you as a couple for at least three year. Please also enclose the letters. It is the policy of our agency to call these references to verify that the individual(s) actually wrote the letters. Letters must be signed, dated and have phone number and address.
Name:
Address:
Phone number:
Name:
Address:
Phone number:
Name:
Address:
Phone number:
PREPARATION FOR ADOPTION Why are you choosing adoption?
Have you had an adoption fail or fall through? If so, briefly describe the circumstances.
Have you had a home study conducted by anyone for adoption purposes? If so, who conducted it and when? Please enclose a copy if you were given one.
Have you ever been denied a favorable home study? If so, when? What has your family done to prepare for adoption (classes, books, support group, changes in the home, etc)

If you have had a previous adoption	n, please describe the process and	how your family adapted
What is your plan to help your child	understand adoption?	
What are your attitudes towards birt	th parents?	
What are your attitudes and expect family or asking questions about the		
INFORMATIO	N ON CHILD YOU WISH TO A	DOPT
Sex and age preference: Would you accept twins?		
Nationality you would accept:		
Caucasian:	Marshall Islands:	
Hispanic:	*	
African American:		
Asian/Oriental: Hawaiian:	Asian/Oriental mix: Hawaiian mix;	
Other:	·	
Please note: If you are willing to accasked to fill out a transracial question		han your own, you will be
Are either of you enrolled or eligible	ř	oe? What Tribe?
Would you accept:		
	To what age?	
More than one older child if	siblings?	
A child with a correctable me	edical condition?	
A child with a cleft lip/cleft p	oalate?	

YOU Do you own or rent your home? If own, value of home: Mortgage left on home:			
Describe the type of relationship you would	like with the birth pare	nts.	
What type of adoption are you willing to accompen Open Semi – open Closed	ept (open, semi-open, c	:losed)? C	heck all that apply
Whose parent(s) had mental illness?		Yes Case l	No oy case
Had mental illness?		Yes	No oy case
Had used alcohol before realizing she	e was pregnant?	Yes	y case No oy case
Has used alcohol recreationally throu	ighout the pregnancy?	Case b Yes	y case No
Has ever been alcohol addicted?	1 0	Case b	y case No
Has used drugs recreationally throug Had used drugs before realizing she		Case by	No case No
Would you accept a child whose biological p Has ever been drug addicted?		Case by	No

Туре:	Breed:	Sex/age:
Weapons:		
	Where stored:	Type of Lock
	Where stored:	
	Where stored:	
	Where stored:	
Please continue on o	other side if more lines are necessary	
Are weapons stored	unloaded?	Yes No
-	d separately from the weapon?	Yes No
	se: Yes No	1.1. 6.1
lf yes, please	attach copy of certificate OR submit the	e name and date of the course
	FINANCES	
	insurance? If so, with what company. w much?	
Have you filed taxes	s the last three years?	
	GENERAL QUESTION	IS
(You will be required t five years – and Child	arrested, or do you have any type of cr to submit FBI fingerprints, OSBI reports – Abuse Registry for Oklahoma – or any stat 1 your residences for the last five years wi	or any state you have lived in for the las te you have lived in for the last five years
Any other comment	s or information you would like to add:	:

objective process, and that a positive assessmed/ We understand that during and documents may be requested of either a these documents over to the home study provides	g the course of the home study, more information pplicant or family member. Any delay in turning der will result in a delay of the home study process. to disclose, lying, or concealing information can be
SIGNATURES:	
First Applicant	Date
Second Applicant	Date

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DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO COMPLETE HOME STUDY

The following documents will be needed in order to complete your home study through our agency. Asterisks indicate those documents that will need to be copied and attached to the study.

For your convenience, we have provided a column on the right-hand side of the page so you can check off the items you are providing to our agency. If you have any questions about the requested documents, please call our office at 405-794-7500, or email us at info@adoptionchoicesofoklahoma.org.

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Adoption Choices of Oklahoma

Fee Agreement for Agency Services

	ir family for the purposes o		Choices of Oklahoma to perform a are, or guardianship placement of
forms as required, and othe complete an evaluation. In certificates, marriage license three (3) years, and any othe agency to discontinue to study provider before a date the time of our first home visits.	erwise cooperate with the We will provide personal es, divorce decrees, militar er items which may be nee he home study process. It for the home visit can be sit. The home study will req	agency to collect sufficient references and copies of register, medically discharge papers, medically ded. Providing false or inactive understand that the contract. All documentation must	illy members, will complete agency information about my/our family to needed documents, such as birth I evaluation, tax returns for the last urate information may be cause for ract must be received to the home be provided to our social worker by with all members living in the home. nal fees.
child, and the agency's rec recommendation is required and ability to provide a stab	ommendation about the so I by the court and will be bole home environment for a	uitability of the applicants. If ased upon a professional as a child. I/We agree to hold a	information, information about the tis understood that the placement essessment of the family's strengths igency harmless for the positive or from such a recommendation.
It is understood that the agr	eed upon charges for servi	ces are:	
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	e nonrefundable unless th	e agency cancels services	other arrangement are made. It is without cause. I/We will reimburse
Signatures:			
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Date [.]			

ADOPTION CHOICES OF OKLAHOMA

MEDICAL REPORT ON ADOPTIVE APPLICANTS AND ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

First page to be filled out by applicant:

Name:	Birthdate:
Address:	
MEDICAL HISTORY	:
Have you had/have	treatment for serious or chronic illness? Yes No If yes, please explain:
Have you been hospi	talized in the last five years? Yes No If yes, please explain:
Have you ever receiv	ed or been advised to seek mental health services? Yes No If yes, please explain:
Have you ever receiv	ed or been advised to seek treatment for alcohol or substance abuse? Yes No If yes, please explain:
Illnesses & Dates: Operations & Dates: Accidents:	
Disease:	story (diabetes, heart disease, hereditary or congenital defects, etc.) Family member: Family member: Family member:
Disease:	Family member: Family member:

Second page to be filled out by physician:

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:

To the Physician: A physical examination is requested because this family is considering adoption/boarding a minor. Weight: _____ Blood Pressure: ____ Other exam findings: 1. Does this individual suffer from an illness, or communicable disease that would be detrimental to the care of an adoptive child placed in his/her home? Yes No If yes, please explain: 2. Are there any chronic or serious disorders for which this individual has received treatment? Yes _____ No ____ If yes, please explain: 3. Have you ever referred this individual to other medical services, mental health services and/or treatment for substance abuse? Yes _____ No ____ If yes, please explain: Impression of General Health (Does the patient have the usual expectancy of life?) Excellent Good (please state why)_____ Fair (please state why) Poor (please state why)_____ Was any recommendation for medical care made to the patient? If so, state what: Is patient on any current medication? If so, what and for what reason Is this report based on a current examination only, or a longer professional relationship and knowledge? If longer, how long have you been patient's physician ______ Is this person physically and mentally a good candidate for adoption? If no, please explain why

If physician has known patient personally or as a family physician, any comment he or she wishes to make would be welcome.		
Date of Exam:	Name and Address of Doctor:	

STATEMENT OF GUARDIANSHIP

We	/	hereby name
		and
as guardians to our ch	uild(ren) in the ev	rent that we are no longer able to physically care and
provide for them thro	ugh both of our d	leaths.
Names:		
Address:		
Phone number:		
Email:		
Relationship to us:		
By our signatures, we they have agreed to be process.	acknowledge tha e named as guard	at the appointed guardians are aware of our decision and dians in this home study and as a part of the application
Signed:		
Signed:		
Date:		
Witness:		

LETTER OF REFERENCE FROM NON-RELATIVE

Dear Adoption Choices of Oklahoma: Please accept this completed questionnaire as a letter of reference for: __ ______, prospective adoptive parent(s). 1. How long and in what capacity have you known the adoptive applicant(s)? 2. How often do you see the applicant(s)? 3. How would you describe the applicant(s)? 4. What kind of parents do you think the applicant(s) will be and why? 5. To your knowledge are there any physical or mental health problems that might be an issue?

7. Do you have any other comments you would like to make? 8. Do you recommend the adoptive applicant(s)? Signature(s) Date Please print your: a. Name(s): b. Address: c. Telephone:	6. If the adopted child has special needs or is of a different race or culture, how do you think the adoptive parents will deal with these issues and how do you think the community will accept him or her?			
8. Do you recommend the adoptive applicant(s)? Signature(s) Date Please print your: a. Name(s): b. Address:				
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STATEMENT OF NET WORTH AND MONTHLY FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

Name(s)

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$	Mortgage / real estate	\$
Investments	\$	Notes payable	\$
Savings accounts	\$	Credit card (balances)	\$
Cash surrender value of life insurance	\$		\$
Other stocks and bonds	\$	_	\$
Real estate			\$
1.	\$	Loans (balances)	
2.	\$		\$
Automobiles	\$		\$
	\$		\$
Trucks, boats, planes	\$		\$
Personal property	\$		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$
·		nce between Assets and Liabil	nics)
N	IONTHLY FIN.	ANCIAL OBLIGATIONS	
Mortgage/Rent		Car Payments	
Utilities		Car Insurance	
Phone		Other Insurances	
Credit Card Paym	nents	Student Loans	3
Daycare		Other Loans	
Investments		Not listed Obl	igations
Total			
	MON	THLY INCOME	
First App			
Second A			
Addition	nal income (extra	jobs, dividends, trust paymen	ts, settlements, etc)
Total			

Guidelines for an Autobiographical Sketch

INSTRUCTIONS: As you provide information about yourself, you will be assisting in the home study process. This will help us get to know you better and also speed up the procedure. Please write about the five main topics on the outline below. Use the questions within each section as suggestions for subjects you may wish to include as appropriate to your story. Feel free to add additional information that is significant in describing your life situation more completely. This information is for use by the home study specialist to prepare for your interviews. Three to six pages are usually adequate, but you may write as much as you wish. Please type. Thank you for taking the time to put this information together.

Please type and double space your responses

- 1. Tell about yourself and your childhood:
 - a. How would you describe yourself as a person; what are you like; what's your personality?
 - b. What was your life like in your family when you were a child?
 - c. Describe briefly your relationship with any siblings, during childhood and now.
 - d. What were your family's religious beliefs and practices?
 - e. What did your family do for fun? Vacations, activities, etc.
 - f. Describe your interests, talents, sports, clubs, school activities, etc.as a youth and
- 2. Tell about your parents and how they raised you:
 - a. Tell about your father (family background, education, work, etc.).
 - b. Tell about your mother (family background, education, work, etc.).
 - c. Describe your relationship with your parents, both during childhood and now.
 - d. How did your parents discipline you? Who was the main disciplinarian?
 - e. How often do you visit or spend time together?
- 3. Tell about your marriage / relationship history:
 - Describe past significant relationships (engagements, live-in relationships, divorces, etc.).
 - b. Tell about your current marriage.
 - c. What are your spouse's best qualities?
 - d. In what areas would you like to see your spouse or your relationship grow?
- 4. Tell about your interest in adoption:
 - a. Describe any experiences with infertility, fertility treatments, pregnancies, miscarriages, etc.
 - b. Describe any previous attempts at adoption.
 - c. What factors are causing you to consider adoption at this time?
 - d. What does your family think of your plans to adopt?
 - e. How would adoption impact or change your life?

- 5. Describe your beliefs about parenting:
 - a. Describe any experiences you have had parenting or caring for children.
 - b. Describe your beliefs about parenting.
 - c. What methods of discipline do you plan to use?

To our prospective clients,

As part of our ongoing commitment to the success of our adoptive families and our birth parents, we are requiring at least 10 hours of adoption education for our home study clients and our adoptive family applicants. We believe this is the best way to help our families understand the perspectives of our birth parents as well as begin their successful journey as an adoptive family.

To our home study clients:

1) As part of the home study process, our potential adoptive parents will be required to complete the following courses at www.adoptiontrainingonline.com:

Multi-Cultural and Trans-racial adoption Openness in Adoption Our Child is Home! Now what? Bonding and Attachment Issues in Domestic Adoption Medical Risks for Domestically Adopted Children

2) Each potential adoptive parent will be required to read the book "Bridges Out of Poverty". This book is an excellent guide to help you understand and relate to our birth parents and will eventually help you to form better relationships during your match with them over time.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping our agency provide the best service and outcomes to our birth parents and our adoptive families.

Sincerely,

Kirsten McGonigal, LMSW/MPH Child Placement Supervisor

*Notes:

The online training comes in two different options:

- 1) The five courses are \$15.00 per person, per course.
- 2) There is the option of the Domestic Adoption Bundle. This bundle has 8 courses, of which the 5 required courses are included. The Domestic Bundle is \$139.00 for couples

"Bridges out of Poverty" can be purchased on Amazon for an average price of \$20.00. I have found copies on Ebay and at Barnes and Noble as well. Finally, it is available for download on Goodreads and Audible.