

Information/Application Package for the International Adoption Program

COUPLE APPLICANTS

GETTING STARTED

- READ THROUGH THE APPLICATION: Please read through the entire application package. This will help you to learn about the process of International Adoption within Alberta, know what is required of you as the applicants, and understand Adoption Options' role in your adoption process. It is up to you, the applicants, to research which country you plan to adopt from and to ensure that you also meet your sending country's eligibility requirements for adoptive applicants. A coordinating agency may also assist you with this.
- Children's Services International Adoption Application form. The instructions are found on page 8 of this application package and the form is on page 9. When completed and authorized by Alberta Children's Services, this allows Adoption Options to complete a homestudy report. Receiving this authorization should be one of your first steps in the application process.
- REGISTER FOR SEMINAR: Please register for the International Educational Seminar by calling or e-mailing one of the Adoption Options' offices:

 Calgary (403) 270-8228 / aocal@adoptionoptions.com
 Edmonton (780) 433-5656 / aoedm@adoptionoptions.com
 - The seminar fee of \$450 is due at time of registration. Payments may be made by e-Transfer to <u>aoedm@adoptionoptions.com</u>, Visa, MasterCard, or by cheque payable to **Adoption Options Alberta Ltd**.
- COMPLETION YOUR APPLICATION: This application package explains all of the necessary documents required to submit to Adoption Options. We have created a checklist on page 5 to help you through the application process. Once we have received all of your application documents, we will request the home study fee and assign a social worker.
- HOMESTUDY REPORT: You will be assigned a social worker to complete your homestudy report. The homestudy process can take up to 90 days to complete. Once the report has been reviewed and signed by our International Program Director, the social worker, and the adoptive applications, we will submit your report to Alberta Children's Services for their review. Their review may take up to 12 to 13 weeks.

More steps follow the homestudy process. Please continue reading the application for additional information about what comes after the homestudy. We also recommend that you connect with your coordinating agency about any steps that are required for your sending country.

THE ADOPTION PROCESS

Alberta Legislation requires that families who are hoping to adopt a child from another country use the services of a licensed adoption agency. International adoptions involve several levels of government and in Alberta, in addition to a licensed adoption agency, you may need an out of province international adoption coordinator or an adoption agency in the United States (if adopting from the United States).

APPLICATION: The package that follows is made up of the paperwork we will need from you. It includes the Alberta Children's Services International Adoption Application form which when completed and authorized by Alberta Children's Services allows us to complete a homestudy report. The application fee is due when you begin to submit this paperwork to us. Please submit original and/or hard copies of your application, we do <u>not</u> accept applications by e-mail.

EDUCATION: In order to become familiar with international adoption: the process, the fees, the challenges, the ethics, and the special needs of the children who wait, Alberta Legislation requires that you attend an International Educational Seminar. We also have dedicated sessions for relative adoption. Our International Adoption Specialists will share information about the process and provide you with a binder of material and resources. Due to COVID-19, the seminar is currently being presented by video conference.

RESEARCH: In addition to attending the seminar you are encouraged to do reading and research on your own. Meeting others who have already adopted will be invaluable to you.

REQUIREMENTS/PROCEDURES: You can find up-to-date information, requirements and procedures at: https://mxww.alberta.ca/international-adoption.aspx. When you have decided on the country of your choice, you need to find out what that country requires of you and that you also meet the eligibility requirements as potential adoptive parents from that country.

COORDINATOR: Due to Alberta legislation only allowing licensed agencies to do the work you need done here in Alberta, you may be required to use an adoption coordinator who will be your link to the sending country (i.e., the country you hope to adopt from). We can provide you with a list of coordinators working with different countries. They ensure that your documents are in order, organize your trip, and communicate with officials in the other country on your behalf. For a private international adoption, you will have to do this for yourself.

DOSSIER PREPARATION: We can help you with preparing your dossier. Dossier preparation can be complicated as it involves copying, translating, notarizing, authenticating, etc. Please ensure correspondence to Alberta Children's Services includes your FedEx account information.

HOMESTUDY: We will begin your homestudy as soon as you have attended our International Educational Seminar and completed all of the necessary application paperwork. Once the homestudy report has been completed, it is sent to you for review and then sent by Adoption Options to Alberta Children's Services in Edmonton for their review and approval. A final copy is then sent to you which you may give to your coordinator if you are using one.

DUAL TRACKING: This refers to those who wish to apply to our International adoption program and our Domestic adoption program. As two homestudies are required specific to each program, one of the homestudies will be charged at a reduced fee and the other at full price (see fee schedule page). All other fees and policies apply.

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES: Very occasionally, Adoption Options is unable to approve applicants as adoptive parents. In these cases, additional fees will be required if the applicant(s) would like to proceed after following through with recommendations/guidelines made to the applicant(s) at the time of non-approval. These fees are determined on a case-by-case basis.

UPDATE/ADDENDUM: Your approved homestudy is valid for one year from the date of being signed off by Alberta Children's Services. If you have not received a match proposal of a child within that time, an update to the homestudy is required. If there are no major changes after one year, the applicants can self-report the update; please contact either the Calgary or Edmonton office for this form. If there are major changes to report, (change in residence, employment, financial status, family composition or a change in the child desired section of the homestudy), or if 24 months pass without the presentation of a match proposal, an addendum to the homestudy is required. New medicals, criminal record checks, intervention record checks and copies of your T4s or Notices of Assessments are required, and the addendum is completed by a social worker. Applicants will need to contact Adoption Options to arrange for the completion of an addendum.

IMMIGRATION: You will need to apply to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) as part of the process to sponsor your child and to obtain the appropriate documents that will allow you to bring your child into Canada. Even though we and Alberta Children's Services may approve your adoption homestudy, there is no guarantee that IRCC will grant the necessary documents to allow your child entry into Canada. **Adoption Options is not able to answer questions or give advice on immigration, please contact IRCC directly.**

ONGOING ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR FILE: Once you have registered with Adoption Options, we will be your direct link to Alberta Children's Services, any questions regarding progress on your file should be made through us.

CHILD MATCH PROPOSAL: Working closely with Alberta Children's Services, we will provide you with your child/match proposal in a timely fashion when it arrives from your sending country. We will contact you and present the proposal of the child to you.

POST PLACEMENT SUPPORT: We hope that you will see Adoption Options' social workers as a source of support. You are invited to attend our adoptive parent support groups, or any additional specialized training Adoption Options provides.

POST PLACEMENT REPORTS: Most countries require that post placement interviews and reports be done after the placement of a child(ren). We can provide that service for you. It is your responsibility to contact Adoption Options to arrange for post placement interviews. The sending country decides how many post placement reports are required.

FINALIZATION: Most adoptions are finalized in the sending country but a few countries (namely the Philippines, and possibly others) require you to finalize the adoption once the child is in Canada. This is a service that we can provide when needed.

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER: International applicants often have a sense of urgency. They know that somewhere out there, a child is waiting for them. Adoption Options, your coordinator, Alberta Children's Services, and everyone you will deal with recognizes your concerns. We know that you understand that processing your application is an in-depth process. We would like you to also know, that we will do our very best to process your case in a timely fashion.

INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

WHO CAN APPLY:

- Residents of Alberta (Canadian citizenship is not required)
- Over 18 years of age
- Single applicants
- Couples (married or common law) please note: most countries only accept couples who
 are married. The U.S. accepts common law or same-sex couples who have lived
 together for at least two years.
- The sending country may have additional requirements, however, these are Adoption Options' minimum requirements.

WHAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE TO US:

Please provide <u>original</u> documents unless otherwise indicated below. We do <u>not</u> accept applications by e-mail.

	International Adoption Application (The original, sealed copy is required) This form is first sent to Alberta Children's Services to receive their authorization for you to have an international homestudy completed. Please only send us the form once it has been authorized by Alberta Children's Services. See instruction on page 8, and the International Adoption Application form is on page
	Application Fee
	Payment can be made by e-Transfer, Visa, MasterCard, or Cheque. See fee schedule on page 6.
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Ц	Adoption Options Contract (The original copy with ink signature is required)
	Financial Statement See form on page 11.
	Photocopies of previous year's T4 Slips or Notice of Assessments for each applicant*
	Reference List
On	e reference must be a relative, yet, only one relative can be used as a reference. See form on page 12.
	Application Part I See forms on pages 13-16.
	Application Part II Only for those applying to the United States.
	Application Part III See forms on page 26-45.
	Safe Questionnaire I See forms on pages 46-67.
	Intervention Record Check* Valid for 12 months and signed by Alberta Children's Services. A separate form is required for each adult living in the home. Instructions and forms can be found pages 22-25. If in the past five years you have lived outside of the province of Alberta, it is your responsibility to obtain Intervention Checks from those jurisdictions, provinces and/or countries.
	Police Security Clearances for all adults living in your home (Local police checks and Interpol Search)* Valid for 12 months
	Medical Reports* See forms on pages 18-21. Valid for 12 months
	Photocopies of Marriage and Birth Certificates Passports or Canadian Citizenship Cards, if no birth certificate is available

* Please note that time sensitive documents (i.e. medical reports, T4/NOAs, and checks) are only valid for **one year** from the day that they are dated. It is up to the applicants to ensure that their documents remain valid.

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FEE SCHEDULE

As Adoption Options is a non-profit organization with charitable status, we are not required to charge applicants GST.

Payment is due prior to the service being provided.

Application Fee	\$500	To accompany initial application
Guidance and Counselling Fee	\$400	To accompany initial application
We are here to assist you throughout the whole adoption process,		
and are able to provide guidance, direction and counselling pre		
and post adoption of your child.		
International Educational Seminar	\$450	Due at time of registration
Resource Support Fee	\$150	Due prior to assignment of
Adoptive families receive support such as training, mentoring,		homestudy along with homestudy
international adoptive parents support group, referrals/resource		fee
information, etc.		
Homestudy Report	\$3050	Due prior to assignment of
There will be additional fees required when significant translation		homestudy
assistance is needed. This will be on a case-by-case basis and will		
be charged at \$150 per hour		
Total	\$4,550	

OTHER POSSIBLE COSTS

Match Proposal Post Placement Report(s) Administrative Fees Any requests for additional work such as preparation of additional documents, affidavits,	\$400 \$450 per report \$150 per hour
letters, etc. Travel Expenses for home visits Travel Time for home visits Addendum if needed Dossier Preparation	\$0.60 per kilometre \$37.50 per hour \$500 \$400
We can assist you as needed with preparing your dossier Finalization Including preparation, filing, and process serving. This is charged ONLY for adoptions finalized in Canada. The majority of international adoptions are finalized in the child's country of origin.	\$2,050

Payment can be paid via e-transfer to <u>aoedm@adoptionoptions.com</u>, MasterCard, Visa, cheque or cash. Please make cheques payable to **Adoption Options Alberta Ltd**. The application fee is non-refundable.

Receipts for income tax purposes will be issued upon request at time of adoption finalization. Adoption expenses can be claimed for the tax year in which the adoption was **finalized**. No other receipts are issued except on request. **Please note that your invoice is also your receipt.**

Dual Tracking or Second Country is for applicants who choose to participate in both domestic and international programs through Adoption Options, or choose to apply to two countries internationally, will be required to pay an additional \$1,525 to cover the costs of an additional homestudy.

Families are responsible for Travel Expenses at \$0.60/km and Travel Time at \$37.50/hour for all reports where there is a home visit.

NOTE: Fees shown are effective as of April 1, 2022. Fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change without notice, however, will not be applied retroactively.

WHAT WE PROVIDE TO YOU

- Telephone and in-person assistance as needed
- A comprehensive training session (International Educational Seminar)
- A completed homestudy report
- Proposal of child (if applicable)
- Post placement reports as required by the country of origin
- Assistance in finalizing your adoption (depending on country of origin)
- An open invitation to attend our Adoptive Parent Support and Information Groups in Edmonton and Calgary. These groups are offered free of charge.
- The opportunity to meet families who are adopting from the same country or have already adopted from the country you have chosen
- The opportunity to attend Adoption Options' Annual Picnic

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR DATES

Due to COVID-19, seminars are currently being held virtually on Wednesdays from 9:30am to 3:30pm, until further notice. Please note registration gets cut off one weeks prior to the seminar date.

2023 Dates: 2024 Dates:

Relative	Non-relative	Relative	Non-relative	
October 25		 January 13, 2024 March 9, 2024 [CANCELLED] May 11, 2024 	 January 13, 2024 February 10, 2024 April 13, 2024 [CANCELLED] May 11, 2024 June 8, 2024 [CANCELLED] 	
For registration:		July 13, 2024October 19, 2024	July 13, 2024September 14, 2024November 16, 2024	

Please register for the seminar by calling or e-mailing one of our two offices: **Calgary** (403) 270-8228 / aocal@adoptionoptions.com

Edmonton (780) 433-5656 / aoedm@adoptionoptions.com

The seminar fee of \$450 is due at time of registration. Payments may be made by e-transfer to aoedm@adoptionoptions.com, Visa, MasterCard, or by cheque payable to **Adoption Options Alberta Ltd.**

Application Documents may be returned to:

Adoption Options Edmonton Unit 6, 9363 – 50 Street Edmonton, Alberta T6B 2L5 Adoption Options Calgary Unit 207, 5940 Macleod Trail SW Calgary, Alberta T2H 2G4

INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION APPLICATION TO PROCEED

The International Adoption Application to Proceed is one of the most important parts of your application. This form is sent to Alberta Children's Services and authorizes Adoption Options to complete a homestudy report. Please send this form to Alberta Children's Services for their authorization.

- 1) Complete the International Adoption Application Form (see the next page)
- 2) Send to Alberta Children's Services for their authorization

Please fill in the attached form and send via E-mail to: Carmen Deehan at carmen.deehan@gov.ab.ca

or via mail to:

Carmen Deehan BA BSW RSW Adoption and Permanency Services 10th Floor Sterling Place 9940, 106 Street Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2N2

3) Include the International Adoption Application Form that has been authorized by Alberta Children's Services in your Application Package for Adoption Options. We require the original, sealed copy that will be sent to you from Alberta Children's Services.

International Adoption Application

The information you provide on this form is collected under the authority of the Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act and will be used to initiate an international adoption. We will not release this information for any other purpose. If you have any questions about the collection of this information, you may contact Adoptions Services at 780-422-0178. To be connected toll-free, dial 310-0000.

Visit our web site at www.child.gov.ab.ca.

1			Applicant informa	ilon (please F	PRINT)			
	Applicant:		Surname		Given names		☐ Male ☐ Female	
		Telephone (residence)	Telephone (business)	Fax	Given hames	Email address		
	Applicant:		Surrana		Given names		☐ Male ☐ Female	
		Telephone (residence)	Surname Telephone (business)	Fax	Given names	Email address		
	Address in full:		. , ,			Email address		
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	We understand		ot support the adoption		more than one ch	i l d within a 12-	month period	
unless the children are siblings, or there are exceptional circumstances. • We understand that a director must approve our completed home study report and any addendu					dendum to our	home study		
	·	report before we may proceed with our international adoption.						
	 We understand that we must complete International Adoption Parent Preparation Training before a director will approve our home study report. 							
	 We understand that if a director refuses to approve our home study report or any addendum to our home study report, we may appeal that decision to an Appeal Panel. 							
	• We will inform a director of any significant changes to our lives during the international adoption process (pregnancy, birth of a child, adoption, absence from Alberta, poor health, financial or marital or adult interdependent relationship changes). We understand that the adoption process may be placed "on hold" until the child's country of origin confirms that we continue to be eligible for adoption.							
	 We understand of the child. 	that it is advisable to	consult with a physici	an regarding th	ne child's health b	efore accepting	g p l acement	
	We understand	that the Governmen	t of A l berta does not p	ovide legal ad	vice in the proces	sing of our add	ption.	
	We understand	that we are respons	ible for all costs of our	adoption.				
		Applicant's signature		Applicant	t's signature	Date	(yyyy/mm/dd)	
3			Author	ization				
	Authorization is given to the Applicants to obtain a Home Study Report from an Alberta Licensed Adoption Agency (list attached) for an international adoption of one child or a sibling group from:							
		Child's cour	ntry of origin		•			
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CONTRACT WITH ADOPTION OPTIONS

WE UNDERSTAND IN MAKING THIS APPLICATION THAT:

THE PROCESS

- 1. We are entering into an agreement to have Adoption Options (the agency) provide an educational session, complete a homestudy, provide our child proposal (depending on the country) and do post placement supervision, if required, for our international adoption.
- 2. We understand that payment to the agency does not guarantee that we will be approved to adopt and that even if/when the agency approves us; final approval is the decision of Alberta Children's Services.
- 3. We agree to pay the fees as listed in the application package as required and to pay disbursements, if any. Fees are non-refundable once the work has been done. If we or the agency stops the homestudy process after it has begun, an amount equal to \$150 x the hours spent will be due.

USE OF COLLECTED INFORMATION

- 1. The agency will be collecting personal information from us (medicals, criminal record checks, intervention record checks, references, birth and marriage certificates, financial statement and other personal information) as required by The Regulation in order to assess our family's suitability for adoption. We will provide full and complete disclosure of all information relevant to this process and understand that the agency must have this before proceeding with our application.
- 2. This information will be used to produce the Homestudy Report.
- 3. The Homestudy, SAFE Questionnaires I & II, and our tax information will be sent to Alberta Children's Services.
- 4. The agency will only release any of the above material to another person or organization (excepting those already described above) with a written request from us consenting to such release.

Signature of Applicant One	Signature of Applicant Two
Printed Name of Applicant One	Printed Name of Applicant Two
	Date

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR ADOPTION OPTIONS

Please completely fill in the form

APPLICANT NAME:		_
	Applicant One	Applicant Two
ANNUAL INCOME:		
_	Applicant One	Applicant Two
OTHER ANNUAL INCOME:	Applicant One	Applicant Two
OTHER ANNUAL INCOME: _		
	Applicant One	Applicant Two
LIFE INSURANCE:		
	Applicant One	Applicant Two
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ASSETS	VALUE	
Vehicles		
Personal Property		
Real Estate		
Residence		
Other		
Stocks/Bonds		
Savings Account(s)		
Chequing Account(s)		
RRSP/Retirement		
Other Investments		
TOTAL ASSETS:		
Not including income and insurance		
LIABILITIES	MONTHLY PAYMENT	TOTAL OWED
Credit Cards		-
Bank Loans		
Home Mortgage(s)		
Other		
	TOTAL LIABILITIES:	
NET WORTH:		

REFERENCE LIST

Applicants' Names:					
Please give the names and contact information of three references that are personally acquainted with you and your home life. Please only list the name of one person per reference. Only <u>ONE</u> of these can and must be a relative and others can be friends, neighbours, a business or religious acquaintance. They will be contacted by us by letter and may also be telephoned. Their responses will be treated confidentially and not shared with you.					
REFERENCE ONE: (RELATIVE) How ar	e they related to you?				
Name (First and Last)					
Address, City, Province, Country					
Telephone	Email Address				
REFERENCE TWO: (NON-RELATIVE)	low do you know this reference?				
Name (First and Last)					
Address, City, Province, Country					
Telephone	Email Address				
REFERENCE THREE: (NON-RELATIVE) How do you know this reference?				
Name (First and Last)					
Address, City, Province, Country					
Telephone	Email Address				
their original reference form in writing. It is imp	es and let them know that we will be asking them to send us cortant that your references respond promptly to our d until all reference forms have arrived in our office.				
	NATED GUARDIAN en, in the event that something tragic happens to both adoptive parents.				
Name:					
Phone Number:					
Email Address:					

APPLICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION: PART ONE Please Print

Child's Country of Origin:		
Name(s) in Full: Applicant One:		Applicant Two:
Maiden Name:		
Address:		
City:	Province:	Postal Code:
Home Phone:		
Cell Phone:		Cell Phone:
Email: (We require ONE email address w	hich will be us	ed throughout the process to communicate with you)
Applicant One: Employer's Name: Employment Address:		IT INFORMATION
Applicant Two: Employer's Name:		
Work Phone:		

PERSONAL HISTORY

Applicant One:	
Previous marriages:	
Date of Divorce/Death:	
Applicant Two:	
Previous marriages:	
Date of Divorce/Death:	
Are you legally married?	If not, how long have you been together?
Date of Marriage:	Place of Marriage:
	ADOPTION HISTORY
Have you adopted before?	Have you adopted internationally?
If yes, when, which country and age of	child at placement:

	Applicant One	Applicant Two
(First names only)		
Pronouns (ex. she/he, they/them)		
GENERAL DESCRIPTION		
Birth date		
Birthplace		
Age		
Hair colour & texture		
Eye colour & glasses		
Height & Weight		
Racial origin		
Ethnic origin		
Religious Affiliation		
Church Attendance		
Education Level		
Occupation		
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Do you smoke?		
Do you have pets: Please	list:	
Do you live in a city or town, on a	farm or acreage?	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Do you have any children:	Do they live with you:	·····
Have you adopted before:	Privately: Social	Services:
List birthdates of children:		
Tentative child care plans:		
one parent to remain home	•	
parental leave only, for a p	eriod of months	
day care private ca	are nanny	
other, please explain		



ADOPTION APPLICATION PART I EMOTIONAL / PSYCHOLOGICAL CARE

APPLICANT ONE:	(name)
Are you currently accessing counseling services? ☐ Yes or ☐ No (if yes, please provide the therapist's name and their company name)	
Reason for counseling:	
Anticipated outcome:	
Have you ever accessed counseling services? ☐ Yes or ☐ No (if yes, please provide the year/time frame)	
Reason for counseling:	
Outcome of counseling:	
Have you attended any support groups? ☐ Yes or ☐ No (if yes, what year and what was the purpose of the group)	
Signature:	(Applicant one)
APPLICANT TWO:	(name)
Are you currently accessing counseling services? ☐ Yes or ☐ No (if yes, please provide the therapist's name and their company name)	
Reason for counseling:	
Anticipated outcome:	
Have you ever accessed counseling services? ☐ Yes or ☐ No (if yes, please provide the year/time frame)	
Reason for counseling:	
Outcome of counseling:	
Have you attended any support groups? ☐ Yes or ☐ No (if yes, what year and what was the purpose of the group)	
Signature:	(Applicant two)

REGARDING A CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK ON INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION APPLICANTS



TO THE POLICE SERVICE:

The Adoption Regulation requires us to obtain a <u>criminal record check with Vulnerable Sector Search</u> on each applicant and any other adults over 18 years-old living in their home. **All applicants need to apply in-person at a police station for this.**

Some countries specifically require an Interpol search as part of the dossier.

If applicants have resided outside of Alberta within the last five years an Interpol check is also needed.

The RCMP has provided the following information: The RCMP cannot do a Vulnerable Sector Search because a Vulnerable Sector Search only applies to a "paid or volunteer" position - as a parent or prospective adoptive parent, you cannot be terminated from that role. The RCMP still completes all the same checks, but cannot call it a Vulnerable Sector Search because of the way the Criminal Records Act 6.3 reads. Checks are being completed to ensure that a pardon has never been issued for a sexual offence as well as checking Interpol. Having fingerprints taken is the most comprehensive check that can be completed on an applicant. It is the RCMP's policy to have fingerprints taken and submitted to the Canadian Real Time Identification Services (CCRTIS) to determine if adoptive parents have record suspensions for sex offences.

TO THE APPLICANT(S):

We request that you proceed to the Local RCMP Detachment or the City Police Headquarters (for residents of Edmonton, Calgary, Lethbridge, and Medicine Hat only), in the Province of Alberta to have your Criminal Record Check completed. We ask that you take with you proper identification, preferably your birth certificate and a driver's license, to assist the officer in charge. Although it appears that you can receive a criminal record check online, it is not the correct check that is required. All applicants need to apply in-person at a police station for this. We need a clearance for everyone over 18 years of age living in your home.

If you live in Edmonton, you can go to the Edmonton Police Service (EPS) at #108, 14315-118 Avenue **Nexus Business Park** and ask for "fingerprint services for adoption". They will take the fingerprints and submit them to the RCMP. You will need one piece of photo ID and one piece of supplementary ID. There is a charge for this service and the above address is the only EPS location able to fulfil these requests. Appointments may be required, please call ahead or visit their website for more information: https://www.edmontonpolice.ca/CommunityPolicing/OperationalServices/PoliceInformationCheck

If you require an Interpol search either because you are unable to have a Vulnerable Sector Search completed or your sending countries requires it, the RCMP will complete fingerprint forms for you and will forward them to Interpol Ottawa for processing. Please state that you require an Interpol search for the purpose of international adoption.

When you receive your police clearance, please bring in or mail the originals to our office as they are needed to move forward with your application.

Sincerely,

Tara Zimmerman, BSW, RSW Program Director, International

A physician's report is required for the	homestudy process.	
l,	, ask that you provide Adoption Options	
Name of Applicant		
With the following medical information which will help Adoption Options assess my ability and		
and permit you to release the informat	through adoption. I consent to the disclosure of this information tion to Adoption Options for the period of one year, unless revoked o discuss the content of this report with Adoption Options.	
Signature of Applicant	Date	
TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PH	<u>YSICIAN</u>	
A. What is the date of this examination	n?	
B. How long have you known the app	licant?	
C. Height Weight	Body Mass Index (BMI)	
D. Please describe any health probler	ms that would affect the applicant's ability to provide for the	
physical, emotional and personal care	of children, now and in the future:	
E. To your knowledge has the applica	ant ever received or required treatment for any emotional	
problems?YesNo		
If yes, please specify the nature of the	problem and the type and dates of any treatment received:	
F. To your knowledge has the applica	ant ever received or required psychiatric treatment?	
	ecify the problem and the type and dates of any treatment.	
		

Name of Applicant	
G. To your knowledge has the applicant ever	received or required treatment because of use of
drugs and/or alcohol?YesNo	
If yes, please specify the problem and the typ	oe of treatment received:
H. To your knowledge has the applicant ever	received treatment because of domestic violence?
YesNo If yes, please specify the	e problem and the type of treatment received.
I. Is there a medical reason why this person c	cannot or should not have a biological child?
YesNo If yes, please explain:	
J. Is this patient presently taking any form of r	
K. Please comment on the applicant's genera	al health and your opinion as to whether the
applicant's physical and mental health enable	es them to undertake and follow through with the
responsibilities of parenthood:	
 Signature of Physician	
orginatare of i flysiolari	Date
Printed Name of Physician	
Street Address	
City and Postal Code	

A physician's report	is required for the home	estudy process.
l,		, ask that you provide Adoption Options
Name of Applican	t	
With the following m	edical information whicl	h will help Adoption Options assess my ability and
and permit you to re	lease the information to	gh adoption. I consent to the disclosure of this information Adoption Options for the period of one year, unless revoked cuss the content of this report with Adoption Options.
Signature of Applica	nt	Date
TO BE COMPLET	ED BY THE PHYSIC	<u>IAN</u>
A. What is the date	of this examination?	
B. How long have y	ou known the applicant	?
C. Height	Weight	Body Mass Index (BMI)
D. Please describe	any health problems tha	at would affect the applicant's ability to provide for the
physical, emotional a	and personal care of ch	ildren, now and in the future:
E. To your knowled	ge has the applicant ev	er received or required treatment for any emotional
problems?Ye	sNo	
If yes, please specify	y the nature of the probl	lem and the type and dates of any treatment received:
F. To your knowledge	ge has the applicant ev	er received or required psychiatric treatment?
YesNo	If yes, please specify th	ne problem and the type and dates of any treatment.

Name of Applicant	
G. To your knowledge has the applicant ever rec	ceived or required treatment because of use of
drugs and/or alcohol?YesNo	
If yes, please specify the problem and the type o	of treatment received:
H. To your knowledge has the applicant ever rec	ceived treatment because of domestic violence?
YesNo If yes, please specify the pr	roblem and the type of treatment received.
I. Is there a medical reason why this person can	not or should not have a biological child?
YesNo If yes, please explain:	
J. Is this patient presently taking any form of med	dication? Yes No
If yes, what medication and dosage and for what	
K. Please comment on the applicant's general he	ealth and your opinion as to whether the
applicant's physical and mental health enables th	
responsibilities of parenthood:	· ·
Signature of Physician	Date
Printed Name of Physician	_
Street Address	_
City and Postal Code	_

INTERVENTION RECORD CHECK

Process to Submit an Alberta Intervention Record Check

- 1) Submit your *Request for an Alberta Intervention Record* form by E-mail to Alberta Children's Services with of two pieces of your identification, one of which is photo identification.
 - E-mail the completed form and identification to Rashmita Patel at: Rashmita.Patel@gov.ab.ca
- 2) Alberta Children's Services Office will complete the Check and return the results to you directly.
- Once you receive the completed Alberta Intervention Record Check, submit the original to Adoption Options with the rest of your application documents.

Have you lived outside of Alberta in the past 5 years?

If in the past five years you have lived outside of the province of Alberta, it is your responsibility to obtain Intervention Checks from those jurisdictions, provinces and/or countries.

Who Can Get the Information?

Intervention Services records are confidential, and information must not be released except for the purposes set out in the Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act. Any person named in a record has the right to obtain information about themselves that is in the record. The requestor may ask for copies of records about themselves under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP).

What if a Record is Found in Alberta?

If the Alberta Intervention Check indicates "There is an intervention Services record in Alberta." and you wish to continue to pursue adoption, you will need to contact our adoption agency. Your agency will provide you with a "Consent to Release Information" form. In signing this form, you provide your permission for Alberta Children's Services to release information about your record to the agency directly. If you wish to obtain further information about the findings of the Alberta Intervention Check, prior to connecting with your adoption agency, please contact the individual who completed the check.

The following form must be submitted and signed by Alberta Children's Services. A separate form is required for each adult living in the home.



Request for an Alberta Intervention Record Check

For Alberta Private Licensed Agency and International Placements

Process to Submit an Alberta Intervention Record Check

- 1) Please complete the <u>Request for an Alberta Intervention Record Check</u> section of this form including your signature. If printing and hand filling, do not use "whiteout" on the form; if you make an error, simply strike it out, write above or below the mistake and initial it.
- 2) Submit a photocopy of two pieces of your identification, one of which is photo identification.
- 3) Your local Alberta Child and Family Services Office will complete the Check and return the results to you directly.
- 4) Once you receive the completed Alberta Intervention Record Check, submit it to your Private Licensed Agency.
- 5) If in the *past five years* you have lived outside of the province of Alberta, it is your responsibility to obtain Intervention Checks from those jurisdictions, provinces and/or countries.

Who Can Get the Information?

Intervention Services records are confidential, and information must not be released except for the purposes set out in the *Child*, *Youth and Family Enhancement Act*.

Any person named in a record has the right to obtain information about themselves that is in the record. The requestor may ask for copies of records about themselves under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP)*.

What if a Record is Found in Alberta?

If the Alberta Intervention Record Check (reverse side or next page) indicates, "There is an Intervention Services record in Alberta." and you wish to continue to pursue adoption, you will need to contact your private licensed adoption agency. Your agency will provide you with a "Consent to Release Information" form. In signing this form, you provide your permission for Children's Services to release information about your record to the agency directly.

If you wish to obtain further information about the findings of the Alberta Intervention Check, prior to connecting with your private licensed adoption agency, please contact the individual who completed the check.

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Request for an Alberta Intervention Record Check

For Alberta Private Licensed Agency and International Placements

The information you provide on this form is collected under the authority of the *Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act* and is managed in compliance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. The information will be used to search for an intervention record about you. Children's Services will not release this information for any other purpose. Children's Services will not release this information to anyone other than you without express written consent. If you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of the information provided, please contact the individual who completed this form.

1. Perso	onal Information	
My name is	Date of Birth	mm dd
PRINT Full Legal Name of Person Re	equesting Check	
My address is	Alberta	
Full Residential Address	City Province	Postal Code
Full Mailing Address (if different from above)	City Alberta Province	Postal Code
I am male female. My phone number is	or	i ostal oodo
Tall Illiaic Illiaic. My pholic humber is	Home Work	
All other names I have used are (include Maiden and		
Names and birthdates of all children for whom I have If printing and filling in, attach a separate page to add mor	re children or use the + sign to add more children bef	ore printing.
Name	Gender Birthdate (yy	yy-mm-aa)
		-
	MF -	-
2. Request	for a Record Check	
I am an Adoptive Applicant Adult Person (18 years or older) Residing with Adoptive Applica	ant(s).
I want to know about any record of me being involved might have caused a child to need intervention.	d with Intervention Services in Alberta which indi	cates that I
This check is being completed as a requirement for t	the adoption application submitted on behalf of:	
Name of	f Adoptive Applicant(s)	
who submitted an adoption application through the fo	ollowing private licensed agency:	
Name of P	Private Licensed Agency	
☐ In the past five years I have <u>only</u> resided in Alber	rta.	
In the past five years I have resided in Alberta and	nd	
	Name of any Other Jurisdiction, Province or Country quired from all other jurisdictions, provinces ed in the <u>last five years</u> . It is the responsibility provide these checks to the Private Licensed	and of the
I hereby consent to having an Alberta Intervention Ro		- ·
X	•	
Date Requested (yyyy-mm-dd)	Signature of Person Requesting Check	-

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3. Results	of Alberta Intervention Re	cord Check - FC	R OFFICE USE ONLY	
Using the names and birt	hdates you supplied:			
As of today, <u>I can find</u> child to need interven	No Intervention Services Reco	ord in Alberta indica	ating that you might have	caused a
There is an Intervention	on Services Record in Alberta.			
	4. Summary of Inv	olvement in Alb	erta	
Name of Days	on Mha Carrenlated Chapty (DDINT)		Title	_
Name of Pers	on Who Completed Check (PRINT)		riue	
			Alberta	
Worksite Add	dress	City	Province	Postal Code
		X		
Telephone Number	Date Completed (yyyy-mm-dd)	Signa	ture of Person Who Completed Ch	neck
	For Offic	e Use Only		
Reference:				
	Name of Person Requesting	Check	Date of Birth (y)	yyy-mm-dd)

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APPLICATION PART III

APPLICANT ONE

Each spouse should complete this form separately and return with additional documents required to Adoption Options.

Applicant's Name:		
YOUF	RSELF:	
1.	Describe your personality.	
2.	What are your best/strongest qualities?	
3.	If you could change anything about yourself what would it be?	
4.	Outline your education, including unfinished programs as well as those not related to your career	
5.	List the kinds of jobs you have done as well as approximate years, ending with your current job.	
6.	What are your career goals?	

7.	What activities do you enjoy separately from your spouse?
8.	What are your thoughts about religion and what role does it play in your life?
9.	What parts of your life give you the greatest satisfaction?
10.	What parts of your life are most stressful, and how do you handle that stress?
11.	What crises have you experienced in your life?
12.	Describe the support system in your life at this time.

MEDICAL BACKGROUND

1.	What is your general state of health?
2.	What childhood illnesses or other serious physical illnesses have you had?
3.	Have you had any mental illness? Please explain.
4.	Have you ever been hospitalized? When and why?
5.	Do you smoke? How much?
6.	Do you drink? How much?
7.	Do you use any prescription or street drugs?
8.	Are you currently under medical treatment? Please explain.

9. Have you or any family member had any of the following:

	Yes	No
Asthma		
Epilepsy		
Mental illness		
Diabetes		
Eczema or allergies		
Heart disease		
Cancer		
Congenital abnormalities		
High blood pressure		
Bleeding disorders		
Blindness or deafness		
Thyroid problems		
Kidney problems		
Learning disabilities		
Cystic fibrosis		
Cerebral palsy		
Muscular dystrophy		
Multiple sclerosis		
Huntington's chorea		
Dental problems		
Drug/alcohol addiction		
Other		

FAMILY BACKGROUND

1.	Please list the names, location, ages, education levels and occupations of your father, mother, brothers and sisters. Use a separate sheet if necessary.
2.	Describe your parents' marriage. How did they make decisions, handle stress, divide the work, share the parenting?
3.	Are your parents still married to each other? If not please explain.
4.	How were you disciplined/punished in your family? What was done, by whom, how frequently?
5.	Describe your current relationship with your family.

YOUR MARRIAGE

1.	Describe your spouse's personality.
2.	What qualities do you appreciate most in your spouse?
3.	If you could change anything about him/her what would it be?
4.	What activities do you enjoy sharing with your spouse?
5.	What do you feel are the strong points in your marriage?
6.	What produces the greatest stress in your marriage; and how do you resolve it?

7. Ha	ave you ever been separated from your spouse?	Please explain.
8. Ha	ave you ever been married before? How long did	the marriage last, and why did it end?
9. W	/hat goals do you work towards in your marriage?	
YOUR CI	HILDREN	
Have you	ever had a child(ren) by birth?	When?
Are you pa	arenting that child/those children?	How long?
Have you	ever adopted before?	
	ase give details: What type of adoption was it? ie. ld at placement, racial background, disabilities, or	
skills and i	each child who lives with you: name, age, physical interests, relationships with parents, siblings and perfect to include another child in the family. Use anothe	peers, understanding of adoption and

PARENTING

1.	What preparation or experience do you have for parenting?
2.	Do you and your spouse agree on child-rearing and discipline? In what ways?
3.	What aspects of parenting will you find hardest?
4.	How will you parent differently from the way your parents raised you?
5.	At this time, what goals and expectations do you have for your children?

6.	What future events or occurrences in your children's lives would be the most difficult for you?
7.	How will your life change with the arrival of a new child?
8.	What are you plans for childcare during the child's preschool years?
YOUR	ADOPTION PLANS
1.	Why are you applying for adoption?
2.	Briefly outline the steps you have taken to date in your attempt to have a/another child.
3.	Are you willing to meet prospective birthparents?

Signatur	re of Applicant One Date
7.	How and at what age do you plan to share your child's birth history with him/her?
6.	Are you prepared to adopt a child with no known background information or minimal health information?
	What do you know specifically about the children who are available for adoption in the country you are looking into?
4.	What knowledge do you have about adoption?

APPLICATION PART III

APPLICANT TWO

Each spouse should complete this form separately and return with additional documents required to Adoption Options.

Applicant's Name:YOURSELF:		
2.	What are your best/strongest qualities?	
3.	If you could change anything about yourself what would it be?	
4.	Outline your education, including unfinished programs as well as those not related to your career	
5.	List the kinds of jobs you have done as well as approximate years, ending with your current job.	
6.	What are your career goals?	

7.	What activities do you enjoy separately from your spouse?
8.	What are your thoughts about religion and what role does it play in your life?
9.	What parts of your life give you the greatest satisfaction?
10.	What parts of your life are most stressful, and how do you handle that stress?
11.	What crises have you experienced in your life?
12.	Describe the support system in your life at this time.
12.	Describe the support system in your life at this time.

MEDICAL BACKGROUND

1.	What is your general state of health?
2.	What childhood illnesses or other serious physical illnesses have you had?
3.	Have you had any mental illness? Please explain.
4.	Have you ever been hospitalized? When and why?
5.	Do you smoke? How much?
6.	Do you drink? How much?
7.	Do you use any prescription or street drugs?
8.	Are you currently under medical treatment? Please explain.

9. Have you or any family member had any of the following:

	Yes	No
Asthma		
Epilepsy		
Mental illness		
Diabetes		
Eczema or allergies		
Heart disease		
Cancer		
Congenital abnormalities		
High blood pressure		
Bleeding disorders		
Blindness or deafness		
Thyroid problems		
Kidney problems		
Learning disabilities		
Cystic fibrosis		
Cerebral palsy		
Muscular dystrophy		
Multiple sclerosis		
Huntington's chorea		
Dental problems		
Drug/alcohol addiction		
Other		

FAMILY BACKGROUND

1.	Please list the names, location, ages, education levels and occupations of your father, mother, brothers and sisters. Use a separate sheet if necessary.
2.	Describe your parents' marriage. How did they make decisions, handle stress, divide the work, share the parenting?
3.	Are your parents still married to each other? If not please explain.
4.	How were you disciplined/punished in your family? What was done, by whom, how frequently?
5.	Describe your current relationship with your family.

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7. Have you ever been separated from your spouse? Please explain.	
8. Have you ever been married before? How long did the marriage last, and why did it end?	?
9. What goals do you work towards in your marriage?	
YOUR CHILDREN	
Have you ever had a child(ren) by birth? When?	
Are you parenting that child/those children? How long?	
Have you ever adopted before?	
If yes, please give details: What type of adoption was it? ie. private, government, international plaage of child at placement, racial background, disabilities, or special circumstances.	acement
Describe each child who lives with you: name, age, physical appearance, personality, grade in so skills and interests, relationships with parents, siblings and peers, understanding of adoption and readiness to include another child in the family. Use another sheet if necessary.	hool,

PARENTING

1.	What preparation or experience do you have for parenting?
2.	Do you and your spouse agree on child-rearing and discipline? In what ways?
3.	What aspects of parenting will you find hardest?
4.	How will you parent differently from the way your parents raised you?
5.	At this time, what goals and expectations do you have for your children?

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Signatu	re of Applicant Two Date
7.	How and at what age do you plan to share your child's birth history with him/her?
6.	Are you prepared to adopt a child with no known background information or minimal health information?
5.	What do you know specifically about the children who are available for adoption in the country you are looking into?
4.	What knowledge do you have about adoption?
1	What knowledge do you have about adoption?

INSTRUCTIONS

 Please answer the following questions as they apply to you. Check all the choices that apply. Most of the questions have more than one answer. 					
Print N	Name:		Date:		
1	Who primarily raised you? Mother and Father Father Mother Mother and Stepparent Father and Stepparent Stepmother	☐ Stepfather ☐ Maternal Gran ☐ Paternal Gran ☐ Aunt(s) and/c ☐ Mother and M ☐ Father and Fa	dparent(s) or Uncle(s) fother	☐ Ado ☐ Fost ☐ Insti	er Sibling(s) ptive Parent(s) er Parent(s) itutional Caretaker(s) al Guardian(s) er:
2	Were you separated from either or both of your parents during your childhood for any of the following reasons? No separations				
3	How old were you when you first moved away from your parent(s) or primary caretaker(s) home? ———————————————————————————————————				
4	What were the circumstance	es that led you to leave h	ome? Were ther	e circumsta	nces that led you to return?
5	Check the boxes that best check the boxes the boxes that best check the boxes the boxes the boxes that best check the boxes that best check the boxes that best check the boxes the boxes the boxes the	Friendly Warm Gentle Smothering Demonstrative Over protective Respectful	Affections Affections Anxious Consisten Distant/Ut Superficia Strained Close	ate t ninvolved	other: Took care of mother Afraid of mother Unpredictable Full of conflict Relaxed Loving Other:

6	Check the boxes that best characterize your childhood relationship with your father:				
	□ No relationship □ Friendly □ Affectionate □ Took care of father □ Abusive □ Warm □ Anxious □ Afraid of father □ Idolized □ Gentle □ Consistent □ Unpredictable □ Neglectful □ Smothering □ Distant/Uninvolved □ Full of conflict □ Caring □ Demonstrative □ Superficial □ Relaxed □ Supportive □ Over protective □ Strained □ Loving □ Fun □ Respectful □ Close □ Other:				
7	If you were not primarily raised by your mother and/or father, which of the following best describes your relationship with your primary caretaker(s)?				
	□ Not applicable □ Friendly □ Affectionate □ Took care of primary caretaker □ Abusive □ Warm □ Anxious □ Afraid of primary caretaker □ Idolized □ Gentle □ Consistent □ Unpredictable □ Neglectful □ Smothering □ Distant/Uninvolved □ Full of conflict □ Caring □ Demonstrative □ Superficial □ Relaxed □ Supportive □ Over protective □ Strained □ Loving □ Fun □ Respectful □ Close □ Other:				
8	Check the boxes that best describe what your childhood experience was like:				
	□ Painful □ Stable □ Traumatic □ Happy □ Confusing □ Spoiled □ Fun □ Frightening □ Enjoyable □ Wonderful □ Chaotic □ Sad □ Exciting □ Lonely □ Stimulating □ Unhappy □ Secure □ Difficult to remember □ Carefree □ Sickly □ Other:				
9	Check the boxes that best describe your parents'/primary caretakers' relationship with each other when you were a child:				
	□ No relationship □ Cold □ Committed □ Divorced □ Loving □ Hostile □ Separated □ Violent □ On again/Off again □ Close □ Fulfilling □ Supportive □ Happy □ Full of conflict □ Relaxed □ Fun and playful □ Domineering/Submissive □ Affected by alcohol/drug abuse □ Distrustful and suspicious □ Tense □ Other:				
10	How would you rate your parents'/primary caretakers' ability to manage their lives? Mother or Primary Caretaker Father or Primary Caretaker				
	□ Very good □ Very good □ Good □ Good □ Fair □ Fair □ Poor □ Poor □ Unknown □ Unknown				

11	Check the boxes that best describe the personal characteristics of your mother or primary caretaker when you were a child:			
	 Not applicable Loving Perfectionist Domineering Isolated Happy Optimistic Calm Violent Substance Abuser Preoccupied Self-confident 	☐ Active ☐ Outgoing ☐ Generous ☐ Aggressive ☐ Shy ☐ Irresponsible ☐ Pessimistic/Worrier ☐ Temperamental ☐ Understanding ☐ Nervous/Anxious ☐ Fun/Playful ☐ Rigid	☐ Moody ☐ Overly critical ☐ Hardworking ☐ Flexible ☐ Content ☐ Serious ☐ Compassionate ☐ Friendly/Social ☐ Warm ☐ Supportive ☐ Dramatic ☐ Irritable	☐ Easy going ☐ Kind ☐ Self centered ☐ Unforgiving ☐ Stubborn ☐ Irrational ☐ Manipulative/Controlling ☐ Passive ☐ Prejudiced ☐ Emotional ☐ Reassuring ☐ Other:
12	Check the boxes that bes caretaker when you wer	t describe the personal char e a child:	racteristics of your father	or other primary
	 Not applicable Loving Perfectionist Domineering Isolated Happy Optimistic Calm Violent Substance abuser Preoccupied Self-confident 	☐ Active ☐ Outgoing ☐ Generous ☐ Aggressive ☐ Shy ☐ Irresponsible ☐ Pessimistic/Worrier ☐ Temperamental ☐ Understanding ☐ Nervous/Anxious ☐ Fun/Playful ☐ Rigid	☐ Moody ☐ Overly critical ☐ Hardworking ☐ Flexible ☐ Content ☐ Serious ☐ Compassionate ☐ Friendly/Social ☐ Warm ☐ Supportive ☐ Dramatic ☐ Irritable	☐ Easy going ☐ Kind ☐ Self centered ☐ Unforgiving ☐ Stubborn ☐ Irrational ☐ Manipulative/Controlling ☐ Passive ☐ Prejudiced ☐ Emotional ☐ Reassuring ☐ Other:
13	Who primarily disciplin	ed you during your childho	od?	
	☐ Both parents equally ☐ Mother ☐ Father ☐ Stepmother ☐ Stepfather ☐ Older sibling(s) ☐ Other:		ent(s) edian(s)	

14	Check the boxes that best describe the way your parent(s)/primary caretaker(s) disciplined you during your childhood:				
	Mother or Primary Caretak	ser	Father or Primary Caretaker		
	Not applicable Consistently Fairly Strictly Leniently Made idle threats Lectured Used time outs Reasoned with me Spanked Family Meetings Other:	Praised positive behaviors Shamed Grounded Removed privileges Logical consequences Withheld food Sent me to my room Ignored misbehaviors Used physical restraints Physically punished (other than spanking)	 Not applicable Consistently Fairly Strictly Leniently Made idle threats Lectured Used time outs Reasoned with me Spanked Family Meetings Other: 	☐ Praised positive behaviors ☐ Shamed ☐ Grounded ☐ Removed privileges ☐ Logical consequences ☐ Withheld food ☐ Sent me to my room ☐ Ignored misbehaviors ☐ Used physical restraints ☐ Physically punished (other than spanking)	
15	Check the boxes that represe	ent the personal values held b	y your parent(s)/primary Father or Primary Ca		
	 Not applicable Religious beliefs Compassion Social conscience Strong work ethic Being responsible Freedom of expression Leading a balanced life Being a parent Patriotism Spiritual/Cultural Practice 	☐ Honesty ☐ Family closeness ☐ Family support ☐ Social status ☐ Education ☐ Self respect ☐ Independence ☐ Making money ☐ Fidelity ☐ Healthy life style ☐ Other:	 Not applicable Religious beliefs Compassion Social conscience Strong work ethic Being responsible Freedom of express Leading a balanced Being a parent Patriotism Spiritual/Cultural Practice 		
16	_	values compare to those of yo	our parent(s)/primary car	etaker(s)?	
	☐ Basically share the same ☐ Share most of their value ☐ Share some of their value ☐ Do not share any of their ☐ Don't know	es es			

17	Check the boxes that best describe your parents'/primary caretakers' attitudes about sexuality when you were a child:			
L	Mother or Primary Caretaker	Father or Primary Caretaker		
	□ Unknown □ Awkward discussing □ Open about sexuality □ Believed sex was sinful □ Comfortable discussing □ Liberal sexual attitudes □ Old fashioned □ Conservative attitudes □ Never discussed sex □ Sexually repressed □ No sex before marriage □ Sexually irresponsible □ Condemned □ Supported homosexuality sex education □ Knowledgeable □ Other:	Unknown Open about sexuality Comfortable discussing Old fashioned Never discussed sex No sex before marriage Condemned homosexuality Knowledgeable Awkward discussing Believed sex was sinfu Liberal sexual attitudes Sexually repressed Sexually irresponsible Supported sex education Other:		
18	Check the boxes that best describe what you were like as	a child (pre-teenage years):		
	□ Happy □ Awkward □ Responsible □ Temperamental □ Self-confident □ Sad □ Stubborn □ Friendly □ Irresponsible □ Unhappy □ Calm □ Anxious/N □ Aggressive □ Serious □ Active □ Fearful □ Hyperactive □ Funny	☐ Disobedient ☐ Curious le ☐ Outgoing ☐ Compliant		
19	Check the boxes that best describe what you were like as	a teenager:		
	□ Happy □ Awkward □ Responsible □ Temperamental □ Self-confident □ Sad □ Stubborn □ Friendly □ Irresponsible □ Unhappy □ Calm □ Anxious/N □ Aggressive □ Serious □ Active □ Fearful □ Hyperactive □ Funny	☐ Disobedient ☐ Curious le ☐ Outgoing ☐ Compliant		
20	When you were a child, with whom would you confide?			
	□ Mother □ Aunt(s)/Uncle(s) □ Father □ Stepparent □ Sibling(s) □ Primary Caretaker(s) □ Grandparent(s) □ Cousin(s)	Counselor(s)/Teacher(s) Psychiatrist(s)/Psychologist(s)/Social Worker(s) Clergy		
21	When you were a child or adolescent, did you require co	unseling or psychiatric care?		
	□ No □ Yes			
22	Are there issues, traumatic incidents or accidents from y	our childhood that currently cause you distress?		
	□ No □ Yes			

23	Check the boxes that best describe your early dating experiences:				
	☐ Didn't date ☐ Traum ☐ Fun ☐ Too m ☐ Unremarkable ☐ Dull ☐ Chaperoned ☐ In gro	uch too soon Unus	ual ured	Frightening Exciting Limited Other:	
24	Check the boxes that best describ	e your early sexual experie	ences:		
	☐ Limited ☐ Unren ☐ Traumatic ☐ Unusu ☐ Awkward ☐ Roman ☐ Exciting ☐ Regret	al Confu ntic Sham	eful \square	Pleasurable Abusive Pressured Other:	
25	If you were married previously, h	ow did your marriage(s) e	nd?		
	☐ Not applicable ☐ Div	orce Death of s	spouse(s)	Annulment	
26	If you were previously in a dome	stic partnership(s), how di	d your partnershi	p(s) end?	
	 □ Not applicable □ Death of partner(s) □ Terminated partnership without legal agreement(s) □ Terminated partnership with legal agreement(s) 				
27	If you went through a divorce or describe what the experience wa	_	tnership, check tl	ne boxes that best	
	 □ Not applicable □ Easy □ Expensive □ Frightening □ Amica 	Frust	rating stating stating	A relief Long and drawn out Depressing Other:	
28	Have you ever been in a custody dispute? No Yes				
29	How long did you know your cur a domestic partner relationship?	rent spouse/partner before	you were marrie	d or established	
	☐ Less than 6 months☐ Less than a year☐ 1 to 2 years	☐ 3 to 4 years ☐ 5 to 7 years ☐ 8 to 12 years	□ 13 or m	ore years	

30	Check the boxes that best describe the characteristics of your current spouse/partner:				
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32	How often do you and you	ır spouse/partner argue?			
33	Check the boxes that best	describe the major areas of co	onflict between you and your spouse/partner:		
	 □ Discipline of children □ Religion □ Alcohol/Drugs □ Emotional closeness □ Family involvement □ Money 	 □ Personal habits □ Household chores □ Work □ Infidelity □ Emotional separateness □ Travel 	□ Sexual relations □ Personal expectation □ Politics □ Friends □ Values □ Leisure time □ Separate activities □ Shared activities □ Time apart □ Time together □ Other:		

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	 □ Reach agreement through mutual give and take □ Take time to think things over before discussing □ Give in and attempt to smooth things over □ Seek outside help such as a counselor/clergy person □ Sometimes pound or break things □ Change the topic □ Other: 	☐ Agree to disagree ☐ Sometimes yell and shout ☐ Leave the house to cool off ☐ Become silent ☐ Try to outwit spouse/partner ☐ Things get physical (pushing, shoving, hitting)		
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36	Have you and your spouse/partner ever gone through a	difficult period that threatened your relationship?		
	□ No □ Yes			
37	Have you and your spouse/partner ever separated?			
	□ No □ Yes			
38	Check the boxes that best describe your current relation	nship with your mother and father:		
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40	In some families, different viewpoints concerning suc socio/economic status, sexual orientation, politics, etc degree is that the case in your family?	• •			
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44	How many people in your life, outside of your family, are ready, willing and able to provide you support as a parent?				
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47	If you are employed outside of the home, how many hours per week do you work?				
	☐ Not applicable ☐ 20 - 30 hours ☐ 41- 50 hours ☐ More than 50 hours				
48	If you are employed outside of the home, how long have you worked at your current job?				
	☐ Not applicable ☐ years and months				
49	Whether you work inside or outside the home, do you enjoy your work?				
	\square No \square Most of the time \square Some of the time \square All of the time				
50	Have you ever been fired?				
	□ No □ Yes				

51	Do you plan any career or job changes in the near future?				
	□ No □ Yes				
52	How do/will you discipline a child in your care?				
	☐ Spanking ☐ Lecturing ☐ Rational discussion ☐ Consistently use reasonable of Ignore the child's misbehavior ☐ Discipline according to how If Incomplete in the property of the property of Incomplete in the Incomplete in t	r feel at the time down in crib	Use "time outs" Raise my voice	ould be ashamed tent in the future gry they make me	
53	What is the overall condition of	your health?			
	☐ Excellent ☐ Good	☐ Fair ☐	Poor		
54	Have you ever been hospitalized	or had surgery?			
	□ No □ Yes				
55	Are you currently taking any medication(s)?				
	□ No □ Yes				
56	Have you or any of the family me Indicate which family member b of the condition: 1 = SELF 2 = PARENT(S)		ng code, placing the app	9	
 	DiabetesArthritisCancerFrequent heAsthmaHearing losUlcersInsomniaColitisTuberculosisAlcoholismDrug addictDepressionBipolar illnSchizophreniaEating disorOther condition(s) not listed:	eadachesKidesKidesKidesKidesSicesThysionDevensesAtt	zures Iney disease paired sight kle cell anemia yroid condition velopmental disability ention deficit disorder cually transmitted disease	High blood pressureHigh cholesterolAllergiesHeart conditionIntellectual disabilityAnxiety/Panic attacksInfertility/Sterility	
I affir Signa	rm that the information given in thi	s questionnaire is c	correct to the best of my a	ability. Date:	

INSTRUCTIONS

	 Please answer the following questions as they apply to you. Check all the choices that apply. Most of the questions have more than one answer. 				
Print N	Name:		Date:		
1	Who primarily raised you? Mother and Father Father Mother Mother and Stepparent Father and Stepparent Stepmother	☐ Stepfather ☐ Maternal Gran ☐ Paternal Gran ☐ Aunt(s) and/c ☐ Mother and M ☐ Father and Fa	dparent(s) or Uncle(s) fother	☐ Ado ☐ Fost ☐ Insti	er Sibling(s) ptive Parent(s) er Parent(s) itutional Caretaker(s) al Guardian(s) er:
2	Were you separated from eiffollowing reasons? No separations Parents separated Parents divorced Death of parent(s)	ther or both of your pare Abandoned by parent Parent(s) long-term ho Parent(s) in military Parent(s) in prison	(s)	☐ Remov	For any of the ed from your home by or social services
3	How old were you when you first moved away from your parent(s) or primary caretaker(s) home? U years of age I currently live with my parent(s) or primary caretaker(s)				
4	What were the circumstance	es that led you to leave h	ome? Were ther	e circumsta	nces that led you to return?
5	Check the boxes that best check the boxes the boxes that best check the boxes the boxes the boxes that best check the boxes that best check the boxes that best check the boxes the boxes the boxes the	Friendly Warm Gentle Smothering Demonstrative Over protective Respectful	Affections Affections Anxious Consisten Distant/Ut Superficia Strained Close	ate t ninvolved	other: Took care of mother Afraid of mother Unpredictable Full of conflict Relaxed Loving Other:

6	Check the boxes that best characterize your childhood relationship with your father:					
	□ No relationship □ Friendly □ Affectionate □ Took care of father □ Abusive □ Warm □ Anxious □ Afraid of father □ Idolized □ Gentle □ Consistent □ Unpredictable □ Neglectful □ Smothering □ Distant/Uninvolved □ Full of conflict □ Caring □ Demonstrative □ Superficial □ Relaxed □ Supportive □ Over protective □ Strained □ Loving □ Fun □ Respectful □ Close □ Other:					
7	If you were not primarily raised by your mother and/or father, which of the following best describes your relationship with your primary caretaker(s)?					
	□ Not applicable □ Friendly □ Affectionate □ Took care of primary caretaker □ Abusive □ Warm □ Anxious □ Afraid of primary caretaker □ Idolized □ Gentle □ Consistent □ Unpredictable □ Neglectful □ Smothering □ Distant/Uninvolved □ Full of conflict □ Caring □ Demonstrative □ Superficial □ Relaxed □ Supportive □ Over protective □ Strained □ Loving □ Fun □ Respectful □ Close □ Other:					
8	Check the boxes that best describe what your childhood experience was like:					
	□ Painful □ Stable □ Traumatic □ Happy □ Confusing □ Spoiled □ Fun □ Frightening □ Enjoyable □ Wonderful □ Chaotic □ Sad □ Exciting □ Lonely □ Stimulating □ Unhappy □ Secure □ Difficult to remember □ Carefree □ Sickly □ Other:					
9	Check the boxes that best describe your parents'/primary caretakers' relationship with each other when you were a child:					
	□ No relationship □ Cold □ Committed □ Divorced □ Loving □ Hostile □ Separated □ Violent □ On again/Off again □ Close □ Fulfilling □ Supportive □ Happy □ Full of conflict □ Relaxed □ Fun and playful □ Domineering/Submissive □ Affected by alcohol/drug abuse □ Distrustful and suspicious □ Tense □ Other:					
10	How would you rate your parents'/primary caretakers' ability to manage their lives? Mother or Primary Caretaker Father or Primary Caretaker					
	□ Very good □ Very good □ Good □ Good □ Fair □ Fair □ Poor □ Poor □ Unknown □ Unknown					

11	Check the boxes that best describe the personal characteristics of your mother or primary caretaker when you were a child:			
	 Not applicable Loving Perfectionist Domineering Isolated Happy Optimistic Calm Violent Substance Abuser Preoccupied Self-confident 	☐ Active ☐ Outgoing ☐ Generous ☐ Aggressive ☐ Shy ☐ Irresponsible ☐ Pessimistic/Worrier ☐ Temperamental ☐ Understanding ☐ Nervous/Anxious ☐ Fun/Playful ☐ Rigid	☐ Moody ☐ Overly critical ☐ Hardworking ☐ Flexible ☐ Content ☐ Serious ☐ Compassionate ☐ Friendly/Social ☐ Warm ☐ Supportive ☐ Dramatic ☐ Irritable	☐ Easy going ☐ Kind ☐ Self centered ☐ Unforgiving ☐ Stubborn ☐ Irrational ☐ Manipulative/Controlling ☐ Passive ☐ Prejudiced ☐ Emotional ☐ Reassuring ☐ Other:
12	Check the boxes that bes caretaker when you wer	t describe the personal char e a child:	racteristics of your father	or other primary
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13	Who primarily disciplin	ed you during your childho	od?	
	☐ Both parents equally ☐ Mother ☐ Father ☐ Stepmother ☐ Stepfather ☐ Older sibling(s) ☐ Other:		ent(s) edian(s)	

14	during your childhood:					
	Mother or Primary Caretaker		Father or Primary Ca	Father or Primary Caretaker		
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15	Check the boxes that represe	ent the personal values held b	y your parent(s)/primary Father or Primary Ca			
	 Not applicable Religious beliefs Compassion Social conscience Strong work ethic Being responsible Freedom of expression Leading a balanced life Being a parent Patriotism Spiritual/Cultural Practice 	☐ Honesty ☐ Family closeness ☐ Family support ☐ Social status ☐ Education ☐ Self respect ☐ Independence ☐ Making money ☐ Fidelity ☐ Healthy life style ☐ Other:	Not applicable Religious beliefs Compassion Social conscience Strong work ethic Being responsible Freedom of express Leading a balanced Being a parent Patriotism Spiritual/Cultural Practice			
16	How do your own personal	values compare to those of yo	ur parent(s)/primary car	etaker(s)?		
	☐ Basically share the same ☐ Share most of their value ☐ Share some of their value ☐ Do not share any of their ☐ Don't know	es es				

17	Check the boxes that best describe your parents'/primary caretakers' attitudes about sexuality when you were a child:		
L	Mother or Primary Caretaker F	Father or Primary Caretaker	
	□ Unknown □ Awkward discussing □ Open about sexuality □ Believed sex was sinful □ Comfortable discussing □ Liberal sexual attitudes □ Old fashioned □ Conservative attitudes □ Never discussed sex □ Sexually repressed □ No sex before marriage □ Sexually irresponsible □ Condemned □ Supported homosexuality sex education □ Knowledgeable □ Other:	Unknown Open about sexuality Comfortable discussing Old fashioned Never discussed sex No sex before marriage Condemned homosexuality Knowledgeable Awkward discussing Believed sex was sinfu Liberal sexual attitude Conservative attitudes Sexually repressed Sexually irresponsible sex education Other:	
18	Check the boxes that best describe what you were like as	a child (pre-teenage years):	
	□ Happy □ Awkward □ Responsible □ Temperamental □ Self-confident □ Sad □ Stubborn □ Friendly □ Irresponsible □ Unhappy □ Calm □ Anxious/Ne □ Aggressive □ Serious □ Active □ Fearful □ Hyperactive □ Funny	☐ Disobedient ☐ Curious le ☐ Outgoing ☐ Compliant	
19	Check the boxes that best describe what you were like as	a teenager:	
	□ Happy □ Awkward □ Responsible □ Temperamental □ Self-confident □ Sad □ Stubborn □ Friendly □ Irresponsible □ Unhappy □ Calm □ Anxious/Ne □ Aggressive □ Serious □ Active □ Fearful □ Hyperactive □ Funny	☐ Disobedient ☐ Curious le ☐ Outgoing ☐ Compliant	
20	When you were a child, with whom would you confide?		
	□ Mother □ Aunt(s)/Uncle(s) □ □ Father □ Stepparent □ □ Sibling(s) □ Primary Caretaker(s) □ □ Grandparent(s) □ Cousin(s) □	Counselor(s)/Teacher(s) Psychiatrist(s)/Psychologist(s)/Social Worker(s) Clergy	
21	When you were a child or adolescent, did you require cou	unseling or psychiatric care?	
	□ No □ Yes		
22	Are there issues, traumatic incidents or accidents from yo	our childhood that currently cause you distress?	
	□ No □ Yes		

23	Check the boxes that best describe your early dating experiences:			
	☐ Didn't date ☐ Traum ☐ Fun ☐ Too m ☐ Unremarkable ☐ Dull ☐ Chaperoned ☐ In gro	uch too soon Unus	ual ured	Frightening Exciting Limited Other:
24	Check the boxes that best describ	e your early sexual experie	ences:	
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46	Check the boxes that best describe your community involvement:		
	☐ Have no friends that I socialize with ☐ Active in politics ☐ Have a few friends that I socialize with ☐ Regular attendance at religious services ☐ Regular involvement in social organizations ☐ Rarely/Never attend religious services ☐ Occasional involvement in social organizations ☐ Active in community organizations ☐ Rarely get involved in social organizations ☐ Occasional involvement in community organizations ☐ No involvement in community organizations ☐ Cultural events		
47	If you are employed outside of the home, how many hours per week do you work?		
	 □ Not applicable □ 20 - 30 hours □ 41- 50 hours □ More than 50 hours 		
48	If you are employed outside of the home, how long have you worked at your current job?		
	□ Not applicable □ years and months		
49	Whether you work inside or outside the home, do you enjoy your work?		
	\square No \square Most of the time \square Some of the time \square All of the time		
50	Have you ever been fired?		
	□ No □ Yes		

51	Do you plan any career or job changes in the near future?		
	□ No □ Yes		
52	How do/will you discipline a child in your c	are?	
	☐ Spanking ☐ Lecturing ☐ Rational discussion ☐ Consistently use reasonable consequence ☐ Ignore the child's misbehavior ☐ Discipline according to how I feel at the t ☐ Physical restraint, e.g., strap down in crit ☐ Make rules and consequences clear in ad ☐ Take away privileges ☐ Other:	☐ Tell child they are grounded ime ☐ Tell child they should be ashamed ☐ Threaten punishment in the future	
53	What is the overall condition of your health?		
	☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair	☐ Poor	
54	Have you ever been hospitalized or had surgery?		
	□ No □ Yes		
55	Are you currently taking any medication(s)?		
	□ No □ Yes		
56	Have you or any of the family members listed below had any of the following conditions? Indicate which family member by using the following code, placing the appropriate number in front of the condition:		
	1 = SELF $2 = PARENT(S)$ $3 = SIBL$	ING(S) 4 = CHILDREN 5 = SPOUSE/PARTNER	
_	DiabetesArthritis	SeizuresHigh blood pressure	
_	CancerFrequent headaches AsthmaHearing loss	Kidney diseaseHigh cholesterolAllergies	
_	Ulcers Insomnia	Sickle cell anemia Heart condition	
	ColitisTuberculosis	Thyroid conditionIntellectual disability	
	AlcoholismDrug addiction	Developmental disabilityAnxiety/Panic attacks	
_	DepressionBipolar illness	Attention deficit disorderInfertility/Sterility	
_	SchizophreniaEating disorder	Sexually transmitted disease	
_	Other condition(s) not listed:		
I affir	rm that the information given in this questionn	nire is correct to the best of my ability.	
Signa	ture:	Date:	



Dear International Adoptive Parents:

Provincial legislation requires that homestudies completed for international adoption are valid for one year from the date of approval. As such homestudies that were approved over one year ago will require an **update**.

If you have no big changes to report than you can self report using the attached form. Once you have completed the form, please forward the original signed copy to Alberta Human Services at:

Sheeba Mathews-George, Manager Adoption Services, Children's Services

10th Floor Sterling Place 9940 - 106 Street Edmonton, AB T5K 2N2

In addition you will need to forward a copy of the completed update form to Adoption Options for your file.

Also, if your homestudy is close to one year old and you have significant changes to report, such as a child arriving in the family, change of residence, change of employment or any other change you will be required to meet with a social worker to complete an **addendum.**

If your homestudy is going to the two year date and you still have not yet received a referral, please call Adoption Options and we can arrange for an **addendum** to be completed. As well updated medical reports, criminal record checks, intervention Checks and copy of T4's or Notice of Assessments will be needed. If you are adopting from the U.S. the agencies they have requested an addendum be completed annually with new police checks, medicals, intervention checks, and T4s and/or Notice of Assessments. Once we have received the originals documents (we can accept photocopies of T4s or Notice of Assessments) I can assign a social worker to complete the addendum. The request for an intervention check form has changed, please read the instructions on the cover page of the attached Intervention Record Check Form.

Please feel free to call, 403-270-8228 or email at tara.zimmerman@adoptionoptions.com if needed.

Please contact us as well if you are no longer proceeding and would like your file closed.

Sincerely,

Tara Zimmerman, BSW, RSW Program Director, International Adoption Options 207, 5940 Macleod Trail S Calgary, AB T2H 2G4

Self-Reported Home Study Report Update

To be completed by Adoptive Applicants in the International Adoption Program Name of applicant(s): Residence: Business: Business: Telephone: (include area code) Applicant 1 Applicant 2 **Change in Circumstances** 2 Describe under the following headings the circumstances of any changes that have occurred since the completion of the home study report: Part A Yes No Changes Health Education Sources of income **Employment** Residence Religion Part B Yes No Changes Marital or adult interdependent relationship Family composition Understanding of adoption issues Child desired Any other significant changes (including any involvement with child intervention systems or criminal legal system for all persons aged 12 years or over living in the home.) Part C Yes No Changes References 3 **Signatures** Date (yyyy-mm-dd) Signature of Applicant Signature of Applicant Date (yyyy-mm-dd)