

Alliance for Children Adoption Program Application

Please return this application with original signatures, a nonrefundable fee of \$275, and two recent photos (not passport) to:

Alliance for Children, 292 Reservoir St., Ste. 101

Needham, MA 02494

(781-444-7148)

	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Maiden/Other Last Name
Applicant 1				
Applicant 2				
Street Address:	City	State	Zip	County

Contact Information		
Home Phone:	Preferred Phone:	
Applicant 1	Applicant 2	
Cell:	Cell:	
Work:	Work:	
Email:	Email:	

Current Marriage Date and Location:				
Previous Marriages	Date	End Date	Reason (Divorce/Annulment/Death)	
Applicant 1				
Applicant 2				

Children (including those from previous marriages/relationships)						
First and Last Name	Age	Date of Birth	Lives in Home	Adopted	Adoption Date	Country of Birth

Information for Household Members (other than your children)				
Name	Date of Birth	Relationship		

Applicant 1:	Applicant 2:
Name	Name
Date of Birth	Date of Birth
Place of Birth	Place of Birth
Height / Weight	Height / Weight
Hair Color / Eye Color	Hair Color / Eye Color
Ethnic Background	Ethnic Background
Citizenship	Citizenship
Social Security #	Social Security #
Religion (Optional)	Religion (Optional)
Passport #	Passport #
High School & State	High School & State
Graduation Date	Graduation Date
College or Trade School & State	College or Trade School & State
Graduation Date /Degree	Graduation Date /Degree
Graduate School & State	Graduate School & State
Occupation	Occupation
Employer	Employer
Self Employed: Yes No	Self Employed: Yes No
Annual Salary	Annual Salary
	Date Employed

of rooms ____ # of bedrooms ____

Additional Information	Applicant 1	L	Applicant	2
Are you currently in counseling?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Are you currently pregnant or currently pursuing pregnancy/surrogacy?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Do you have any health issues or take medication?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Have you ever been arrested-even if charges were dismissed, continued without a finding or records expunged?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Do you have a history of substance/alcohol abuse?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Do you have a history of domestic violence, even if an arrest did not occur?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Have you ever been physically or sexually abusive to a child?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Has a child abuse/neglect report ever been filed against you?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Have you ever applied to adopt in the past and terminated the process, been turned down or rejected for adoption?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Have you ever had a home study completed in the past? If you have, please indicate below the name of the agency and the year it was completed.	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Have you ever transferred or received permanent custody of a child outside of the state/local authorities or outside of the state/local process, relinquished or lost custody of a child?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []
Have you ever been refused visa clearance?	Yes []	No []	Yes []	No []

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please explain below and add additional pages if needed:

Does anyone residing in your home:

- have an arrest record
- have a medical condition
- have a history of substance/alcohol abuse, domestic violence (even if an arrest did not occur)
- been physically or sexually abusive to a child
- applied to adopt, completed a home study, been turned down or rejected for adoption
- transferred or received permanent custody of a child outside of the state/local authorities, outside of the state/local process, relinquished or lost custody of a child
- been refused visa clearance?

Yes [] No []

If anyone residing in the home has answered "yes" to any of the above questions, please explain:

Please list <u>all</u> of the states and countries in which you and other adults in the home have lived or worked since age 18.

- Include places you have lived more than a month.
- Circle all states that you have lived in for the past 5 years.

Applicant 1: (include all version of your name i.e. married/maiden/alias)

Name:
Social Security Number:
Date of Birth
List All States lived and worked in since the age of 18 and the years you lived/worked there:

Applicant 2: (include all versions of your name i.e. married/maiden/alias)

Name:_____

Social Security Number:____-__-

Date of Birth_____

List All States lived and worked in since the age of 18 and the years you lived/worked there:

Others in the home over the age of 14: include all versions of your names

Name:	
Social Security Number:	
Date of Birth	
List All States lived and worked in since the age of 14	

Name:	
Social Security Number:	
Date of Birth	
States lived and worked in since the age of 14	

Adoption Services

What AFC services are you interested in applying for?

Please indicate all services applicable.

International Adoption []	
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Please list Country:

[] **Home Study and Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services**: Alliance for Children will complete home study and post-placement/post-adoption services.

[] **Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services Only:** Due to a move or change in original home study agency, Alliance for Children will complete post-placement/post-adoption services.

*If you are interested in an international adoption, you must have a primary provider agency prior to beginning your home study, and must provide the written agreement with that agency to Alliance for Children. You must continue to work with that primary provider throughout your adoption process and agree to notify Alliance for Children if your primary provider changes.

[] **Full Service**: Alliance for Children will perform home study services, placement services from one of our international programs, and post-placement/post-adoption services.

Don	estic Adoption []

[] **Home Study and Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services**: Alliance for Children will complete home study and post-placement/post-adoption services.

[] **Interest in Alliance for Children's Domestic Placement Program:** Alliance for Children will perform placement services.

*If you have indicated interest in Alliance for Children's Domestic Placement Program, please note that pending the volume of interested applicants, there may be an increase in initially anticipated wait times, with the possibility of being placed on our wait list. When your home study is near completion, you will connect with our Domestic Team to review your family's specific situation, at which time we will review availability in our program.

[] **Domestic Assist:** Per referral from an adoption attorney/agency, or due to special circumstances, Alliance for Children will provide assist services for your domestic adoption.

[] **Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services Only:** Due to a move or change in original home study agency, Alliance for Children will complete post-placement/post-adoption services.

Domestic and International Adoption

Please indicate your openness to the below:		
What age child would you like to adopt?	0 -12 months [] 1-3 years []	
	4-6 years [] 7 yrs or older []	
Would you consider adopting a child with special needs or	Yes [] No []	
medical condition?		
Would you consider adopting twins?	Yes [] No []	
Would you consider adopting a sibling group?	Yes [] No []	
Would you consider adopting a child of a different	Yes [] No []	
race/ethnicity than your own? If yes, please provide more		
details:		

Special Circumstances, Comments, Notes:

How did you hear about Alliance for Children?

Please indicate if you have connected with AFC staff, received our information packet and explanation of fees: [] Yes [] No

Date & Name of AFC Staff Member:

Did you attend an informational meeting? [] Yes [] No

Date of Meeting:

Outside Placement Agency/Primary Provider

If you are requesting home study and post-placement/post-adoption services from Alliance for Children but are working with another agency for placement, please complete the following section: Agency:_____ Contact: _____ Address: ____ (Town/City) (No./Street) (State) (Zip) Phone: _____ Email: _____ Home Study Agency Information If you are working with another agency to complete your home study and are applying to work with Alliance for Children for placement services, please complete the following section. Home Study Agency: Contact: _____ Address: ________(No./Street) (Town/City) (State) (Zip) Phone: _____ Email: _____ Estimated date home study will be finished: Adoption Attorney Information If you are working with an adoption attorney for placement, please complete the following section: Attorney: _____ Address: (Town/City) (No./Street) (State) (Zip)

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signature Page

If you have any questions about qualifications/criteria/special circumstances, please request a copy of the Agency's Adoption Home Study Policies

I understand that programs are always changing and may open, close, or go on hold at any time. If I have any questions, I will contact the agency and discuss them prior to sending in my application.

I understand that I must submit a non-refundable application fee with this application. Once this application is received, I will be billed for services. I am aware of the fees for the services I am requesting. If I have any questions about fees, I will ask them before submitting my application.

I have answered all questions truthfully and to the best of my ability. I understand that falsifying information, omitting information, or not responding to these questions honestly is grounds for termination of services. I further understand that I will need to provide notarized copies of any and all court records that I have, and that these records will be sent to Immigration as part of its approval process for all international adoptions. I understand that I must notify Alliance for Children within 30 days if any of the above information changes.

For home study applicants:

I agree to comply with all of Alliance for Children's policies and procedures, including the following:

- If I have any health or financial issues, I will provide all additional documentation as requested.
- If I have any arrests or court-related issues, I will provide all additional information, including court dispositions, as requested—even if an action was dismissed, expunged or I was found not guilty.
- An adoption clinician will need to speak individually with every household member age 5 and over, will need to meet all household members and will need to be in contact with all children/adult children not living in the home.

For all applicants:

I agree to comply with Alliance for Children's policy regarding discipline. This includes not spanking a child or using other forms of corporal punishment, restricting movement, confining a child in small or locked area, withholding food, rest or toilet use, verbally abusing a child, and/or using any other means of discipline that is designed to humiliate, embarrass, or denigrate a child, his/her birth family, heritage, or ethnicity. This policy extends not only to the adopted child, but to all children residing in the adoptive home.

Print Name Applicant 1	Date	Print Name Applicant 2	Date
Sign Name Applicant 1	Date	Sign Name Applicant 2	Date