

****Tell Me About Your Child(ren)****
Adoption Evaluation

Please answer each section on a separate piece of paper. Each section contains one or more questions or statements.

- Please tell me about your parenting experience. How do you feel emotionally about being a parent or becoming a parent for the first time? What is your motivation to adopt this child?
- Provide the name, age, and date of birth of all children residing in your home, including the child or children named in this Adoption Evaluation. **Furnish birth records** for each child.
- Does your child(ren) have any special needs that require specialized care? Please explain. This question applies to all children living in the home, not just the child who is the subject of this Adoption Evaluation. List any medical, dental, or vision care needs of all children. However, please **Furnish current medical, dental and vision care records on the child who is the subject of this Adoption Evaluation only.** I will need records from the treating physician that will explain the child's medical condition, and general health. I do not need medical, dental, or vision records on any other children in the home - just the child that is the subject of this evaluation. If the child is being treated by a social worker, counselor, or psychologist, please explain and provide the name and phone number of the child's therapist.
- Is your child covered by medical, dental, and/or vision insurance? If so, which parent provides the insurance coverage? **Furnish documentation or proof of insurance coverage**, or explain how medical and other expenses are paid if the child is not covered.
- Describe your child's education if the child is school age. What grade is the child in and where does the child attend school? How is the child

performing in school academically and socially with teachers and other students? **Furnish education records** such as a current Report Card, any documentation from teachers or the school guidance counselor regarding the child, and the name / location and phone numbers for this evaluator to contact the principal, school counselor, or teachers, if necessary.

- Explain how you parent your child(ren). Describe your parenting skills and ability to rear a child. What core values do you teach your child or children? What are your general expectations of your child(ren) in terms of learning family values, learning how to do chores, family rules and boundaries, individual goals, academics, and so forth? Describe each of these categories as it applies to the child who is the subject of this Adoption Evaluation.
- Describe the family rules - boundaries that apply to your children in your home? How do you discipline your child(ren)?
- How would you describe your child or children's physical, mental, emotional and spiritual well being? Explain!
- Explain your current childcare plan. I have provided some general questions to get you started and please add to this content if additional information applies to your child care plan. For example, how do you get your child(ren) to and from daycare or school? What does the child's daily schedule look like, and who takes care of the child(ren) during the day while you work? Do you have a social support system or extended family that helps care for your child(ren) after school or before you get home from work? What period of time is your child supervised by a babysitter or family member before you get home? Do you expect this childcare plan will remain the same or change in the future?
- I want to know what the **Daily Routines** are for each child in the home as well as the parents routines ! Provide a description of family time, daily routines involving the child(ren), activities your child enjoys, and so forth. **Be specific!** Example: What time does your child(ren) get up in

the morning? Who makes their breakfast, lunch, and dinner? How do they get to and from school? Who takes them to and from doctor's appointments, extracurricular activities, etc? Does the family eat dinner together? Who monitors the child's homework or assists the child with homework assignments? Who does the cooking in the home? What time is bedtime? These are examples of routines. **You tell me what your family currently does on a daily basis.**