



Adoption Choice, Inc.

## INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

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### CURRENT INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

ADOPTION CHOICE, INC. currently has connections with many international agencies for placements of children from many different countries. We are often in the process of seeking further contacts in other countries, so please ask us if you desire information about a specific country or area not mentioned here. **We do not maintain international programs of our own but we do facilitate many international adoptions every year.**

### COMMITTED TO INDIVIDUALITY

**We are committed** to working individually with families to locate the best possible program for you. We will help you explore the options available to you and the priorities which you have for your family, such as finances you can commit to adopting, children you desire to adopt, gender of child desired, time you are willing to wait, and whether you will be willing to travel. These decisions can be made as you work with our staff to put together your home study and determine which opportunity will be most appropriate to meet your needs, or you may select your international program first and then proceed with your home study.

### WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO ASK QUESTIONS

**We want you to become comfortable** with the many intricate details of adoption. Please be aware, however, that **international adoption programs change often and much of what happens is beyond the control of the local agency**, but determined by

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our government or a foreign agency or government. Therefore, a good deal of patience and understanding for the unpredictability of the program is always the best strategy to utilize when adding to your family through international adoption. Confidence and trust in your adoption planners is critical.

### **NO WAITING TO BEGIN YOUR HOME STUDY**

You may contact us as soon as you are ready. **We will begin working with you immediately. Most home studies can be completed within 30–45 days** and forwarded to your international contacts. Since there is often 6 to 18 months following the completion of the study before placement, we encourage you to join a parent support group, complete additional parenting education classes, etc., while you wait. Time spent waiting is also dependent upon the program and country which you choose and how selective you wish to be in terms of the age, gender, and health of your child request. Since most of the international agencies approve your family themselves, we cannot be sure they will accept your application until it is submitted. We will do all we can to help you select a program which we feel you qualify for and which will be able to deliver to you the child you are seeking.

### **OUR AGENCY FEES**

Our agency application fee is **\$500**. Our agency fee for an international study is **\$3,000**. These fees are submitted in two payments: when you apply (\$500) and when you begin the study (\$3,000). The home study fee includes facilitating with Immigration, the State of Wisconsin, and your international agency.

When you receive placement of a child, post-placement services fees are **\$850.00 to \$1600.00** per child plus **55.5 cents** per mile for travel and **\$50.00** per hour of travel time. Post placement fees are due prior to the first post placement visit.

**ADDITIONAL COSTS** could include program fees to international agencies, child's visa and medicals, sometimes translators and travel for yourselves and/or the child, depending on the program you choose. **We cannot guarantee the costs of an international adoption.**

Due to continual changes involving ages of children available, waiting and travel times as well as criteria for potential adoptive parents, it is advisable to discuss your interest in a particular country with Adoption Choice, Inc. staff.