

CHI FAMILY SERVICE PLAN Georgia Program

Children's House International (CHI) is the Primary Provider for my/our adoption case.

Service	How & When	Responsible Party
1. Identifying a child for adoption and arranging adoption	The local welfare department where the child is living conducts child investigations and determines whether a child should be removed from the birth family due to abuse, neglect or abandonment. This is done long before a child is referred to a potential family. The child is placed on a list, and local relatives are contacted for possible adoption; if none are found or interested, the search goes to a national level and if none are interested, placed on the international list with the Central Authority. "Arranging" the adoption continues throughout the case.	- Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia (MOH), LEPL Agency for State Care and Assistance for the (Statutory) Victims of Human Trafficking - Local social welfare - CHI - Foreign Supervised Provider
2. Securing consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption	The local social welfare secures the termination of parental rights in cases where the child can no longer safely stay in their birth family home. Case is brought to the local court over the region for decision. This step has been completed long before a child is referred to a potential family.	- MOH/LEPL - Tbilisi City Court/ Civil Affairs Board - Local social welfare
3. Performing a background study on a child or a home study on a prospective adoptive parent(s) and reporting on such studies	- The local child welfare department conducts a child background report and makes determinations based on such reports for removal and adoption. Conducted before a referral is given to a family. - Prospective adoptive parent(s) home study is performed by CHI or an exempted provider home study agency in the United States Necessary prerequisite to eligibility for receiving a child referral.	Background study on a child - MOH/LEPL - Local social welfare Performing and Reporting on Home study of prospective adoptive parents - CHI or Exempted Provider (if applicable)

4. Making non-judicial determinations of the best interests of a child and the appropriateness of an adoptive placement for the child	Determinations for the child's best interest, to be placed for adoption, is made by the local child welfare where the child lives. The file is forwarded to the Central Authority and CHI once referral is received for a specific family. This happens once the legal determination is made to remove the child from the birth family home.	- MOH/LEPL - CHI
5. Monitoring a case after placement until final adoption	The Prospective Adoptive Parent(s) visits the child prior to adoption for a week and then goes to adoption court. Family picks up birth certificate, new child passport and medical clinic and US Embassy and return home.	- Local Child welfare - CHI remotely
6. Assume custody of child in case of disruption before final adoption	If the family should decide not to move forward with the adoption prior to court, the local child welfare would continue their care of the child in either a foster care or an orphanage. Family never has custody.	- Local Child welfare - MOH /LEPL

I/We have received a copy of the above Service Plan for my/our adoption.

Date Signed _____

Prospective Adoptive Parent

Prospective Adoptive Parent

Printed Full Name

Printed Full Name

CHI Representative