

CHI FAMILY SERVICE PLAN India 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.	- Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) - Child Welfare Committee, SAA - CHI
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.	- CARA - Child Welfare Committee - Local Magistrates/Court
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.	Performing and Reporting on a background study of child - CARA - Child Welfare Committee & SAA 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. A referral can also reviewed from the waiting CARA list.	• CARA • Child Welfare Committee • CHI
5. Monitoring a case after placement until final adoption	• Very seldom, but occasionally a PAP can travel to India once an NOC is given for the match of the family with the child, prior to the adoption court. The family signs a Foster form given to them by the SAA/orphanage. They then can take the child into their custody while the final adoption is arranged and finishes. However, typically, the majority of families travel after the final adoption court happens and the birth certificate and the passport is issued.	• CARA • Child Welfare Committee India/SAA • CHI
6. Assume custody of child in case of disruption before final adoption	• If the family travels for a foster placement prior to final adoption court, the local SAA and orphanage representing the child would take the child back to the Orphanage with the oversight of the local Social Welfare /SAA.	• CARA • SAA

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