



Carolina
Adoption
Services



abc adoption services, inc.

Post-Adoption

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

Carolina Adoption Services provides post-adoption services to families living in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. Virginia services are provided by our subsidiary agency, ABC Adoption Services.

PARENT REQUIREMENTS

Must meet placement program requirements

ACCREDITATION

Hague-Accredited

HIGHLIGHTS

- Our agency contracts with many qualified social workers throughout our three states of licensure, ensuring that every family can be matched with a caring professional who lives nearby.
- CAS offers a variety of resources and strives to help each family learn about their unique adoption journey.

POST-ADOPTION SERVICES

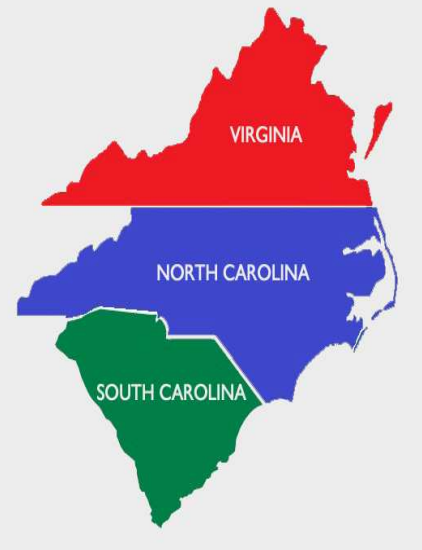
Carolina Adoption Services is licensed for home study and post-adoption services in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. We offer post-adoption and finalization services for families who have completed their home study through CAS or ABC and are now home and we also welcome new residents looking to complete their post-adoption requirements. CAS is a preferred partner and/or recommended agency by many Adoption Service Providers nationwide. CAS is fully accredited by the Hague Convention.

At CAS, we view adoption as a lifelong journey. We are committed to offering your family education and support through every step of the adoption process.

FINALIZATION AND RE-FINALIZATION SERVICES

CAS is more than happy to assist your family with finalizing or re-finalizing your child's adoption in North Carolina or Virginia. While many international adoptions are finalized in your child's country of birth, we recommend that all families re-finalize their adoptions in their state of residence as American documentation is generally more readily accepted by other governing officials and is easier to replace if lost or destroyed.

The finalization or re-finalization process can be started in North Carolina after two post-adoption or post-placement visits, in South Carolina after one visit, and in Virginia after three visits within six months or one year after placement in an international adoption. In many states, additional visits may be required for families looking to re-finalize more than three years after their final post-adoption report, so it is in your family's best interest to begin the process as soon as possible!



CAROLINA **Adoption** SERVICES



THE PROCESS

Post-adoption reporting is required for all adoptions and is designed to ensure that your family and child is fully supported after you come home.

Upon contracting with our agency for your post-adoption visits, your family will be assigned a qualified social work professional to complete your required reports. Reports are done to the specifications of your placing agency and/or country or state and will generally include information on your child's health, wellness, and adjustment to your family. Social workers are also equipped to offer and support and resources, as well as make referrals for outside services, should the need arise.

Post-Adoption Fees	
Pre-Application Fee	\$150
Post-Adoption Visit and Report*	\$350
Court Report for Finalization/Re-Finalization (NC and VA Only)	\$250
Step Parent Adoption*	\$950
Relative Adoption*	\$650

* Rates apply per child; families needing services for multiple children should contact Post-Adoption Specialist for rates.

Other Fees	
Mileage	.545 /mile IRS rate
Travel (beyond 1 hour round-trip)	\$25/hour
Record Retrieval Fee (for case records older than 3 years)	\$100

PAYING FOR ADOPTION

A Federal Tax credit is available to qualified adoptive parents. The tax credit and other resources like grants and low-interest loans can help reduce the cost of expanding your family through adoption. Please visit carolinaadoption.org and click on Paying for Adoption for

CONNECT WITH CAS

We invite you to connect with us before, during, and after your adoption journey. Follow Carolina Adoption Services on Facebook, sign up for e-mail updates, or register for our Waiting Child photo listing to receive news, updates, and resources for every step of your parenting journey.
carolinaadoption.org

POST-ADOPTION STAFF



ANNA HULL

Post-Adoption Specialist
ahull@carolinaadoption.org
800.632.9312 ext. 131

SOCIAL WORK STAFF

CAS works with more than 25 caring, qualified social work professionals throughout NC, SC, and VA. Families always have a trusted contact close by for support and guidance before, during, and after their adoptive placement.

Changing the world...
...one child at a time.