



"I denied it for a long time. I thought, 'What am I going to do? Where do I turn? How am I going to tell my family?'"

These thoughts are commonly shared among single pregnant women. How do we know? Because we talk with them... all the time.

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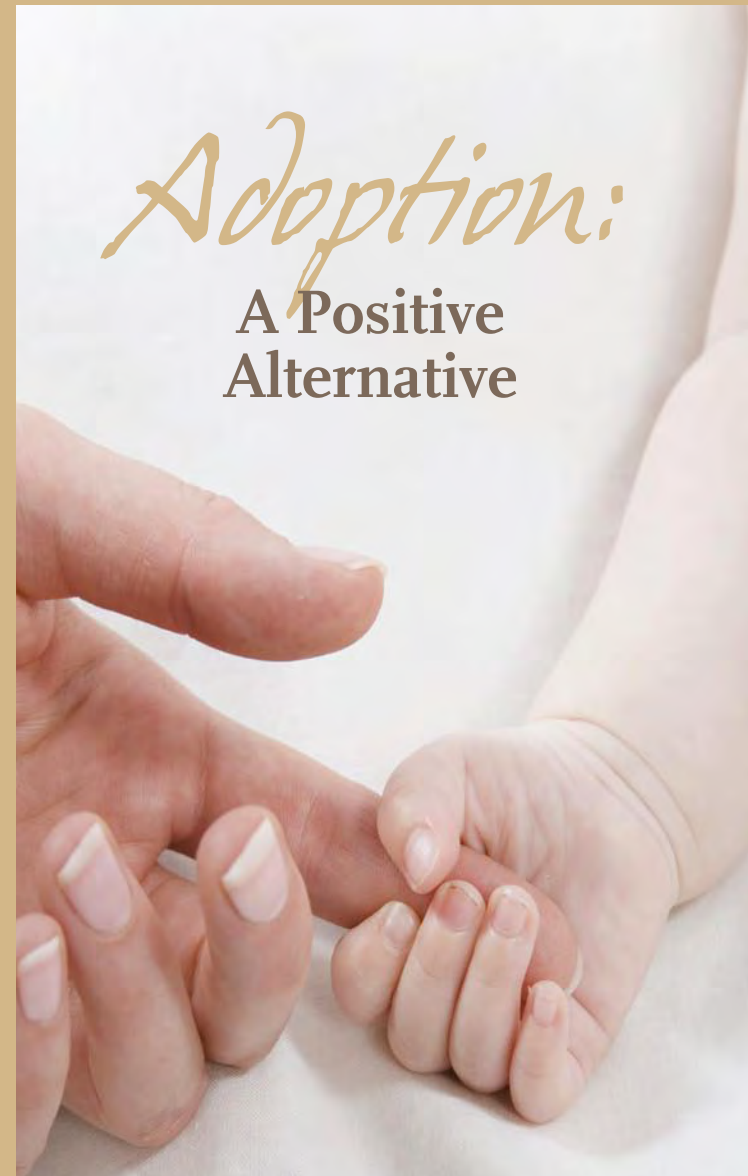
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Adoption: A Positive Alternative



Nebraska Adoption Agencies Association



Is Adoption a Choice for Me?

Jennie, an excellent college student with goals and ambitions, and her boyfriend Bob were not ready for marriage or family responsibilities when Jennie became pregnant. They talked about their options and realized that adoption was best for all involved. Choosing adoption was the hardest decision Jennie ever made. Yet now, three years later, she feels positive about her choice and knows her child is well cared for and happy.

Kelly, 16, had friends who became pregnant and chose to parent their babies. She saw what difficult lives these girls had. When Kelly became pregnant, she at first reluctantly considered adoption. Through free professional counseling, she realized she was not willing or able to parent a child on her own. In the best interests of her child, she chose adoption. Kelly met the prospective adoptive parents who reassured her that her baby would be placed in a warm, loving home. Now, two years later, she believes she made the right decision.

We Are Here to Help

Decisions to make... options to consider. We understand that an unplanned pregnancy involves making choices. We, as members of the NEBRASKA ADOPTION AGENCIES ASSOCIATION, are open to exploring various options. Regardless of your decision, we're here to help. We help expectant mothers and fathers make decisions that are right for them. Therefore, we:

- Offer pregnancy counseling, support groups and follow-up support after a decision is made
- Offer openness in adoption between the birth parents and adoptive parents if mutually agreed upon
- Keep permanent records of the child, the birth parent and the adoptive family

- Provide the adoptive family with ongoing medical information about the child as well as provide emotional and psychological support throughout the child's life

Who We Are

The Nebraska Adoption Agencies Association is a coalition of non-profit adoption agencies licensed by the State of Nebraska. Our agencies' staffing policies and procedures meet the regulations set forth by the state of Nebraska and the Child Welfare League Association.

Our Mission

- Broaden the knowledge, expertise, and sense of responsibility of all parties involved in making decisions
- Promote communication among adoption agencies so as to provide quality services for all persons involved in adoption proceedings
- Act as advocates for children and families in issues pertaining to adoption and/or out-of-home care
- Educate the public about adoption issues

Benefits of Working with a Licensed Agency

- A child's best interests are always sought
- Confidentiality is always respected and maintained
- Counseling by qualified, objective counselors who consider the interests of all parties
- Full, proper relinquishments

- Thorough adoptive family assessments
- Birth parents are given time to ensure the placement decision is indeed the best. The option to parent will always be discussed. There is no pressure or obligation to choose adoption
- A continuum of services is offered, including ongoing post-placement counseling for those who desire it
- Records are permanently maintained for future service
- No illegal or unethical payments are made to birth parents
- Temporary interim care for the child is offered in a licensed home, if needed

Available Services

- Infertility Counseling
- Adoption Education
- Home Studies
- Adoption Preparation
- birth parent Counseling
- Options Counseling
- Identified Adoption Services (*birth parent designates a family*)
- International Adoption
- Open Adoptions
- Post-Adoption Services
- Adoption Search and Reunion
- Infant and Older Adoption Placement
- Support and Guidance through the Placement Process

We feel adoption can be a caring plan for your child. We call it "a positive alternative." If you have further questions, please feel free to contact one of the agencies listed.