ADOPTION

{ Counseling Patients Considering Adoption }

Benefits

Adoption provides benefits to a baby by allowing him or her to grow up in a stable and loving environment.

Stability

Choosing adoption provides stability with adoptive parents who are ready to parent a child.

Birth parents may choose the family they wish to adopt their child, giving their baby a planned and supported opportunity.

Future Opportunities

After an adoption, birth parents tend to receive more advanced levels of education and find better jobs.

They are also less likely to have another unplanned pregnancy and report positive feelings toward adoption and their decision.







Facts:

Some couples utilize state-licensed public or private agencies that find homes for children in need.

Independent or private adoptions frequently have more liberal policies and shorter waiting periods.

Some agencies will assist independent or private adoptions by providing counseling and support services.

Prospective parents may choose to adopt a child of a different race.

Some couples adopt a child with special needs. Special needs may refer to emotional, learning, or physical difficulties; age of the child; race; or the fact that he/she is part of a sibling group.

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