



SERVING ADOPTIVE PARENTS, BIRTH PARENTS AND ADOPTED PERSONS SINCE 1945

Non-Profit, Licensed in Maryland, Virginia, D.C.

Pre-Adoption Education Training

All prospective adoptive parents in The Barker Foundation’s international and domestic programs must complete pre-adoptive training before beginning their home study. The Pre-Adoption Group is designed to help prospective parents think about significant adoption issues. The agency’s pre-adoption training requirements are outlined below:

- Pre-Adoption Group (\$275-Couple; \$150-Single):** All prospective adoptive parents are required to participate in the agency sponsored one-day pre-adoption training, which is designed to help participants think about significant adoption issues. The pre-adoption group meeting times are listed on the agency’s calendar of events and web site. Please mail your registration form and a check made out to The Barker Foundation to our Maryland office. This will secure your spot. Registration is **NOT** final until payment is received. Please specify which group you would like to attend. We will only call you if we are unable to accommodate your first group request. Please call Kathleen Porter at the agency at (301) 664-9664 to inquire about space availability. A confirmation letter and articles to pre-read for the group will be emailed 10 days before the group begins. Prospective parents can take the pre-adoption group at the same time that they are working on the home study paperwork, but home study visits will not start until the pre-adoption group has been completed. Please note that both parents, if adopting as a couple, must complete the adoption reading assignments and associated worksheets separately. Out of courtesy for others, please no children during the workshop.
- Web-Based Adoption Training (\$70.00-80.00):** In addition to the agency’s one-day pre-adoption training mentioned above, we also require prospective adoptive parents to participate in web-based adoption training. Prospective adoptive parents may take the training before or after completing the training mentioned above, but must complete it before the home study commences. Please use the instructions in the table below to sign up for the web-based training. Also, please make sure that you sign up in such a way as to generate a certificate of completion. Please note that both parents, if adopting as a couple, must complete the training but can do so together. To receive the certificate, enter the following ALP Agency Partner Code in your registration: **F327TBF**

Step 1	Go to the Adoption Learning Partner’s web site at: www.adoptionlearningpartners.org
Step 2	Register to take a course by clicking on the “Register” link in the upper left hand section of the web site.
Step 3	Domestic Program Families- register to participate in the training titled: "Let's Talk Adoption: A Lifetime of Family Conversations" (2.0 hours) and "The Journey of Attachment" (2.0 hours) International Program Families- register to participate in the training titled: "Medical Issues in International Adoption" (2.5 hours) and "The Journey of Attachment" (2.0 hours)
Step 4	Print out the training certificate and provide a copy to The Barker Foundation to include in your adoption case record.

PRE-ADOPTION GROUP REGISTRATION

Please enclose a payment to The Barker Foundation to secure your spot.
Registration is NOT final until payment is received, (\$275 for couples and \$150 for singles)

Pre-Adoption Group you wish to attend: 1st choice: _____ 2nd choice: _____

NAME: _____ NAME: _____

First name for name badge: _____ First name for name badge: _____

AGE: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____
Street Address - P.O. Box #

City County State Zip

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

CELL PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

Child(ren) in home, if applicable: _____

Please check the program(s) in which you may be interested:

DOMESTIC INTERNATIONAL Country _____

Age of child you are now considering: _____

What was the date of the Barker Information Meeting you attended? _____

How did you hear about the Barker Foundation and what are the sources of your information?

Have you attended any community groups that deal with adoption? (ex. FACE, LAPA) _____

CHECK ONE: \$275/couple: \$150/single: CHECK ENCLOSED:

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION: Visa MasterCard AmEx Discover

Name on Card: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Card#: _____ Security Code: _____

ALL CANCELATIONS MUST BE MADE 3 DAYS BEFORE GROUP DATE TO RECEIVE A REFUND

FAX: 301-664-9604 or EMAIL: info@barkerfoundation.org