

# Adoption Information Services, Inc. NEWSLETTER

Yes! You Can Adopt  
Usually in 3-12 Months

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AIS is proud to have helped  
place more than 2,000  
newborns with loving  
parents.

## The Post Placement Period – What is This All About?

A recent adoptive parent told me of her fear that the baby would be taken away during the post placement period. She obviously didn't understand what this time is meant for. If you adopt through a licensed adoption agency, you will be given physical custody and full responsibility for the child upon placement.

However, the adoption agency still maintains legal custody of the child until they determine that the post placement period has been successfully completed. Each state has a period of time, averaging 3 to 6 months, where they evaluate whether a good placement has been made. Is everyone adjusting well? Is the baby healthy and reasonably content?? They are mostly observing to be certain there is no abuse of this child.

The adoption agency who conducted your homestudy will meet with you and the baby, and then they will write up a report, which is sent to the placement agency, usually once a month. When they have received the required number of favorable reports, they will release the legal papers to your attorney to file the petition to adopt and obtain a court date for finalization.

At this time the legal custody is granted to the adoptive parents and legally it's as if this child were born to them. Also, new birth certificates are filed with the name of your child and your names as the parents.

So, most important to recognize...The post placement period is not a time when the birthparents can change their minds about the adoption. Certainly they have a right to challenge it, but are usually successful only if they prove fraud, duress or financial inducement.



## AIS Clients are Placed Faster

We've been in the consulting business for a number of years and we have strong relationships with numerous adoption agencies and attorneys. Over the past two years, the average waiting time from completion of the homestudy to placement for AIS clients is less than 12 months for domestic newborn adoption.

We are in the business to jump start your adoption process and we've worked with over 8500 families nationwide. We do not have a waiting list. You can simply call us directly to set up an appointment to meet with us. We also recommend that you attend one of our seminars or view our educational DVD.

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Request our educational DVD. A recording of one of our many seminars, it's packed with valuable information on the entire adoption process. It's free of charge, so get one for your friends, family, minister--anyone who might be interested in learning more about the adoption process