

What Are Post Placement/ Post Adoption Services?

Voluntary support services provided through the Department of Social Services for children who have a plan of adoption or who have been adopted for the purpose of ensuring permanence.



What Is The Cost To Families?

There is no cost to families. Services are provided by several different funding sources, including the Special Children 's Adoption Fund. These funds are earmarked to enhance the adoption services program in NC.

Families with incomes exceeding guidelines are still able to receive services from other funding streams.

What Services Are Available to Me?

The following services can be delivered based upon availability, funding access, and as requested by the family:

Buncombe County Residents who have adopted through other agencies in and outside Buncombe County may receive:

- Interviewing Services: assessing child/family strengths and needs.
- Counseling Services.
- Clinical Services.
- Consultation & Referral Services.

These services are designed to provide assessment and case management to determine service needs and link the family to appropriate community services and support systems.

Children who were in our legal custody prior to their adoption may receive:

- Comprehensive assessment of child/family strengths and needs.
- Development of case plan.
- Case management to coordinate identified service needs.
- In Home Family Preservation Services.

- Preventative/Support Services.
- Adoption assistance based upon eligibility.
- Parent education services provided by the agency if available.
- Consultation.
- Linkage to therapeutic services.
- Advocacy specific to education and mental health services.
- Facilitation of Child/Family Team and/or service coordination.
- Voluntary Placement Agreement (VPA) - considered if certain criteria are met (consult agency social worker for details).



**For Further Information
On Services Call
(828) 250-5500**

DSS Mission

To partner with individuals, families, and communities to strengthen their efforts toward Independence, Permanence, and Safety.

Families For Kids Outcome Oriented Goals

- Accessible community-based family support services to keep families together.
- One coordinated assessment.
- One social work team.
- One single, stable foster care placement.
- A permanent home within one year.

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Am I Eligible?

You are eligible for the program if:

- You have placement of a child who is in legal custody of Buncombe County DSS.
- You are an adoptive family who are legal residents of Buncombe County and have adopted in and outside of Buncombe County.

How Do I Receive Services?

- A telephone call to the Community Based Services Unit will initiate the referral process.
- A referral to the Community Based Services Unit must be submitted by the family, or any person/ service provider familiar with the family ' s situation.
- The referral is reviewed to see if PP/PA services would be appropriate.

Our work is guided by professional ethics and values that are designed to safeguard your privacy and confidentiality. If you have any concerns about how you have been treated, contact your worker's supervisor. If you are unsure who to contact, please call the

Children Services Division

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Helping To Ensure Permanence

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