

STEPS TO INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION

1. Choose a home study agency.
2. Choose a placing agency.
3. Complete immigration requirements.
4. Paper chase (complete your dossier-paperwork required by foreign government)
A dossier can include but **is not** limited to:
Financial information, medical documents for each member of your family, tax information, employment letters, references from people who have known you longer than 5 years, police clearance, photos of your family and your home, bank letter, letter to the government stating why you want to adopt from their country.
5. Wait.....and educate yourself!
6. Travel
7. Finalize your adoption in the States (unless your child came home on an IR-4 Visa, then you just wait for your Certificate of Citizenship that will arrive in the mail.)

Immigration

www.uscis.gov

Application is called I-600A or I-800 (if the country is Hague Treaty compliant). This is the pre-approval for immigration.