

**REFERRAL CONTRACT FOR PIERCE COUNTY ADOPTION SERVICES**

Pierce County Juvenile Court  
5501 Sixth Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98406  
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Check below for the service requested:	<b><u>FEE</u></b>
_____ Step Parent Adoption (Next Friend Report)	\$300
_____ Relative Adoption (Pre/Post Placement Report)	\$550
_____ Non-Relative Adoption (Pre/Post Placement Report)	\$550
_____ Newborn Pre Placement Report (Homestudy) Due Date of Baby _____	\$500
_____ Homestudy Update (If Homestudy older than one year) Due Date of Baby _____	\$300
_____ Newborn Post Placement Report (at least 3 months after baby has been placed)	\$300

A referral for a step parent adoption or a relative adoption should be accompanied by a Petition for Adoption, Order Appointing Next Friend, and Consent(s) from the natural parent(s) or legal documents regarding personal service or publication.

For a homestudy referral in a newborn adoption, there must be at least three months between the time of referral and the estimated date of birth. For a rush homestudy, a list of private homestudy social workers will be provided. Pierce County Adoptions only does a homestudy (pre placement report) when the family is matched with a birth mother.

When requesting a homestudy update, a copy of all previous homestudy reports must be attached to the referral.

A separate contract will be required for each service requested. Adoption services are a process of assessment for the Court's consideration and payment of fees does not guarantee a positive recommendation or approval by the Court. Fees must be paid in full before services will be commenced and are non-refundable. Fees are collected in accordance with RCW 26.33.190.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_  
**Attorney:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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I/We hereby agree to pay the above-mentioned fees as required by Pierce County. I/We understand they are to be paid in full before services will be commenced and are non-refundable, regardless of the recommendation or ruling by the Court.

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Spouse** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_