



Adoptive Parent/Child Search

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An **adoptive parent/child search** is a search for the birth parent of a person who was relinquished for adoption as a child or a search by a birth parent for the child he or she placed for adoption.

- There are many private and public resources that assist individuals with adoptive parent or child searches.
- In Connecticut, identifying information is provided through an **adoption registry**. Every adoption agency is required by state law to maintain an adoption registry.
- Adopted adults age 18 or older can receive identifying information on their birth parents if the birth parents have filed their consent with the registry. If consent is not on file, the birth parents will be contacted for consent.
- Birth parents and birth siblings can receive identifying information regarding the adopted adult if consent is on file. If consent is not on file, a search will be conducted for the adopted adult age 18 or older to obtain consent to release information to the birth parents.

Additional Information

Go to the Connecticut Department of Children and Families' Office of Foster Care and Adoptive Services website, <http://www.ctfosteradopt.com/fosteradopt/site/default.asp?dcfNav=|> for more information about:

- who can search
- what information is available
- how to access the information
- finding the adoption agency that provided the adoption
- procedures involved
- fees
- out of state searches for Connecticut adoptions

To Find Providers in Connecticut's Community Resources Database:

Search by service name: [Adoptive Parent/Child Search](#)

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