



International Social Service Hong Kong Branch Adoption Programme

Adopting Children from Hong Kong by Overseas Families

Services for applicants :

- Screen the application dossiers
- Liaison with respective overseas branches or government departments or adoption agencies for arrangement of adoption
- Prepare a comprehensive Child Study Report
- Match the child with the most suitable overseas family

Who would need overseas adoption?

Overseas adoption would be arranged only when there is no suitable local adoption placement available. They are usually under 2 categories:

- a) Children, under 18 years old, are under the guardianship of the Social Welfare Department in Hong Kong. They are usually children with special needs, such as older in age, with health / developmental issues, and/or an unfavorable family background.
- b) Children, under 18 years old, are in need of adoption by their overseas relatives as their birth family can no longer take care of them and no other suitable care arrangement can be made in Hong Kong.

Who can likely adopt?

- At least 25 years old for unrelated adoption and 21 for relative adoption;
- Couples married for at least three years, or single applicants who can provide the child a stable home with adequate resources to parent an adopted child;
- Having completed 11 years of formal education;
- All applications must meet the requirements of "Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in respect of Intercountry Adoption" and that of the Adoption Ordinance under the laws of the HKSAR ;

- Adoption applicants have to be assessed by a social worker in their country and be approved by the relevant government department or an authorized agency of that country before their application is sent to us.

Who do we work with?

- ISS-HK is approved to work with eight countries in arranging overseas adoption for the children. These countries are the United States of America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Singapore, Germany and Sweden.

Application procedures :

1. Expressing interest

- Interested person may write to us with brief description of their family and the adoption plan.

2. Undergoing assessment overseas

- We will put the applicants in contact with respective overseas branches, government departments or other adoption agencies which will conduct assessment on them and later send us the application dossiers.

3. Matching

- We will match a waiting child to the family which can best meet the child's needs.

4. Bringing the child home

- The adoptive parents will petition for the child's entry to their country, and have to come to Hong Kong to bring their child home.

5. Finalizing adoption

- Post-placement supervision will be undertaken by overseas government department or adoption agency until the adoption is finalized in that country.



海外家庭領養香港兒童

為申請者提供的服務：

- 甄別申請人的申請文件及資料
- 與海外分社、政府機構或領養機構聯繫，安排跨國領養
- 撰寫兒童發展報告
- 為待領養兒童配對合適的家庭

哪些兒童需要被安排跨國領養？

- 只有在本地未能找到合適的領養家庭，兒童才會被安排跨國領養。這些兒童主要是：
 1. 受社會福利署署長監護的 18 歲以下兒童，通常有特別需要，如年紀較大、健康/智能發展欠佳或來自背景較複雜的家庭。
 2. 在海外有親屬而欲領養他們的 18 歲以下兒童，這些兒童的父母沒有能力照顧他們，而在香港亦沒有其他合適的照顧安排。

誰是合適的領養人士？

- 非親屬領養須年滿 25 歲，親屬領養須年滿 21 歲；
- 夫婦須有穩固的婚姻關係，結婚不少於 3 年。單身申請人須有充足的支援和照顧兒童的能力；
- 完成十一年或以上的教育程度；
- 所有的申請須符合《關於跨國領養的保護兒童及合作公約》及香港特區政府《領養條例》訂明的規定；
- 所有申請者須由居住於其國家的社工進行家庭評估，及透過相關政府部門或認可的領養機構審批，方可向本社提交申請。

我們與哪些國家合作？

- 本社目前與八個國家合作，為本港兒童安排跨國領養。這些國家包括美國、加拿大、澳洲、新西蘭、英國、新加坡、德國和瑞典。

申請程序：

1. 聯絡我們

有興趣人士可電郵至 ia@isshk.org、寫信或致電(852)2834-6863 查詢領養事宜。

2. 接受當地領養部門或機構評估

我們會轉介申請人聯絡相關的海外分社、政府部門或領養機構為申請人進行領養評估。評估後，申請人的申請文件將寄到本社。

3. 配對

我們會為待領養兒童配對一個最合適的領養家庭。

4. 到香港接兒童返家

領養父母須為兒童申請入境到其國家居住，及到香港接兒童返家。

5. 完成領養程序

海外政府部門或領養機構會負責領養後的監察，直至取得當地的領養令為止。



香港国际社会服务社 领养服务

海外家庭领养香港儿童

为申请者提供的服务：

- 甄别申请人的申请文件及资料
- 与海外分社、政府机构或领养机构联系，安排跨国领养
- 撰写儿童发展报告
- 为待领养儿童配对合适的家庭

哪些儿童需要被安排跨国领养？

- 只有在本地未能找到合适的领养家庭，儿童才会被安排跨国领养。这些儿童主要是：
 1. 受社会福利署署长监护的 18 岁以下儿童，通常有特别需要，如年纪较大、健康/智能发展欠佳或来自背景较复杂的家庭。
 2. 在海外有亲属而欲领养他们的 18 岁以下儿童，这些儿童的父母没有能力照顾他们，而在香港亦没有其他合适的照顾安排。

谁是合适的领养人士？

- 非亲属领养须年满 25 岁，亲属领养须年满 21 岁；
- 夫妇须有稳固的婚姻关系，结婚不少于 3 年。单身申请人须有充足的支持和照顾儿童的能力；
- 完成十一年或以上的教育程度；
- 所有的申请须符合《关于跨国领养的保护儿童及合作公约》及香港特区政府《领养条例》订明的规定；
- 所有申请者须由居住于其国家的社工进行家庭评估，及透过相关政府部门或认可的领养机构审批，方可向本社提交申请。

我们与哪些国家合作?

- 本社目前与八个国家合作,为本港儿童安排跨国领养。这些国家包括美国、加拿大、澳洲、新西兰、英国、新加坡、德国和瑞典。

申请程序:

1. 联络我们

有兴趣人士可电邮至 ia@isshk.org、写信或致电(852)2834-6863 查询领养事宜。

2. 接受当地领养部门或机构评估

我们会转介申请人联络相关的海外分社、政府部门或领养机构为申请人进行领养评估。评估后,申请人的申请文件将寄到本社。

3. 配对

我们会为待领养儿童配对一个最合适的领养家庭。

4. 到香港接儿童返家

领养父母须为儿童申请入境到其国家居住,及到香港接儿童返家。

5. 完成领养程序

海外政府部门或领养机构会负责领养后的监察,直至取得当地的领养令为止。