## **Adopting a Child from Another State**

## Infant Adoption

- Is it possible to adopt an infant in another state?
- How does a prospective adoptive parent find an expectant mother in another state?
- What things must prospective adoptive parents be cautious of when looking for expectant parents in another state, especially if they are not working with an adoption professional?
- How does the domestic infant adoption process differ when the adoptive parents and the expectant moms live in different states?
- What is the Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children (ICPC)?
- What are the steps on the ICPC as it applies to domestic infant adoption?
- What state's adoption laws will be used for the adoption?
- How long should adoptive parents expect the ICPC process to take?

## Adopting from Foster Care (relative adoption and non-relative adoptions)

- Is it possible to adopt a child from foster care in another state?
- Can you foster a child in foster care in another state?
- How do you find a child in foster care in another state legally free to adopt?
- How does the foster care adoption process differ when the prospective adoptive parents and the child live in different states?
- What are the steps with the ICPC as it applies to foster care adoption?
- How do visitations between the adoptive family and the child work?
- How are adoption subsidies handled when adopting a foster child from another state?
- Which state pays the adoption subsidy?
- How are health care benefits or Medicaid handled?