

What people say about the course

“IAC has made a very valuable contribution in preparing us to be adoptive parents. The course was really enjoyable and a great opportunity to meet people in a similar situation, exchange ideas and learn from each other”.

Mr and Mrs L

“We would like to express our thanks once again for the course, which we found so interesting and informative and which has proved invaluable throughout our home study. We would not hesitate to recommend it to anyone thinking about overseas adoption”.

Mr and Mrs Smith

“As a result of attending the Preparation Courses, people are very well informed before starting their Homestudy. The Preparation Courses are very professionally run”

Essex Adoption Agency

How to contact IAC

If you are interested in hearing more about Intercountry Adoption Centre and its service, please contact us for further information.

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Intercountry Adoption Preparation Courses

Who Are We?

Intercountry Adoption Centre is a Voluntary Adoption Agency which specialises in offering Intercountry adoption services.

As part of a range of services IAC runs preparation courses for prospective adoptive applicants, which are specifically designed to offer applicants the chance to explore in depth the rewards and challenges involved in parenting a child from overseas.

Course Details

The courses run over 3 days, normally one day every two weeks.

The content of the 3-day course includes:

- Process and procedure
- Key parenting tasks
- Attachment and institutionalisation
- Helping children in the transitional phase
- Loss in adoption
- The birth parent perspective
- Health and development of children adopted from overseas
- Resilience
- Managing children's behaviour positively
- Exploring adoption with children
- Identity, race and culture

- Managing racism
- Personal perspectives (specialist input)

Course participants each receive a comprehensive workbook prior to attending and there is an expectation that participants will undertake both reading and tasks between sessions.

Courses are facilitated by two experienced intercountry adoption trainers. A maximum of 18 participants may attend each course.

Although the courses do not form part of the formal assessment process IAC is required to forward information to the referring authority on applicants attendance and contributions on the completion of the course.

Participants may attend the course at any stage in the ICA process. However maximum benefit is obtained by attending prior to the homestudy assessment commencing.

Courses commence monthly and a list of future dates is available from IAC.

Currently the courses are open to applicants from subscribing authorities and adoption agencies and participants will need to be referred by their local authority or Adoption agency.

Please refer to the IAC price guide for course prices.

Referral forms are available from your local Authority or Adoption Agency.

Course venues

The courses are held at our North London venue. However provision can be made to run courses at a venue provided by the Local Authority throughout the UK. Please enquire for details and out of London fee structure.

Comments, Compliments and Complaints

IAC welcomes comments on the services provided. If you have suggestions or wish to complain about a service please request our leaflet 'Comments, Compliments and Complaints'.

Please Note: Should you decide to cancel for any reason we regret refunds are not possible.