Pre-Finalization Adoption Services

Learning Objectives

Completing this assignment will help you:

- Develop a post-placement visitation plan which addresses the family’s current and future needs;
- Develop strategies to help the family recognize early signs of stress;
- Assist the family in developing resources and a support system to manage their stress.

Instructions (Use the attached worksheet to record your work)

1. Develop a post-placement visitation plan with an adoptive family who has accepted a placement. Issues to consider: frequency of visits; location of visits; who will be present for each of the visits; and approximately how long the visits will last. Note: For more information see Pre-Finalization Handout #9.

2. Determine what you will discuss during each of six post-placement visits (e.g., reviewing child’s history; discussing normative post-adoption family adjustment; talking about birth family with the child; issues related to openness). How will you fulfill your roles as both adult educator and facilitator? What duties might you need to perform in your role as crisis interventionist?

3. Write an outline of issues to be addressed in each of these six post-placement visits.

4. Meet with your supervisor to discuss your plan for addressing the family’s current and future needs during your post-placement contacts.

5. Provide feedback on the assignment by completing an online survey at: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=365843881460

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Worksheet

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Name of the family I have selected: ________________________________

Post-Placement Visitation Plan (for adoptive family who has accepted a placement):

- Frequency of visits:
- Location of visits:
- Who will be present for each of the visits:
- How long the visits will last:

Outline of issues that will be discussed during each of 6 post-placement visits:

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After reviewing my plan for addressing the family’s current and future needs, my supervisor gave the following feedback:

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EVALUATION

OCWTP needs your feedback concerning this assignment. Please go to:
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to complete a short online survey. Thank you for your help!