

Adoption

Adoption is when you give up your parental rights to your child after giving birth.. The child then becomes a full and permanent legal member of another family. There are various forms of adoption you may choose.

Open Adoption: The birth family and adoptive family are in direct contact, with support from the adoption agency as needed. Deciding how much contact you want is part of the agreement that you and the adoptive family make.

Partially-Open Adoption: Sometimes called a mediated adoption, information and updates between the birth and adoptive families always pass through the adoption agency. You won't have direct contact/communication with the family.

Closed Adoption: Zero identifying information is exchanged and no contact is allowed between the birth family and the adoptive family or the child.

HOW TO ACCESS INFO

1. **Contact staff at UH&CS.** They can direct you to the proper resources to help you make a decision about adoption, or find the right agency for you.
2. **Connect with any of the resources on this card.** They can help you find adoption related information.

INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

Visit the following websites:

1. **Open Adoption Resources**
Openadopt.org
2. **Closed Adoption Resources**
Adoptionswithlove.org
3. **Adoption Resource**
Adoptionnetwork.org

JUDGEMENT-FREE SUPPORT

Call or visit the websites of the following resources:

- *All-Options.org*
- *ChoiceNetwork.org*
- *ProChoiceAdoption.org*

See reverse for QR codes to all resources mentioned on this card

There is no right or wrong choice to make when you discover you are pregnant. There is only the best choice for YOU. This card is here to help you understand what your choices are, and point you in the direction of resources that can help you understand and think through your options as you make your decision.

This card is available in languages other than English. Please scan the QR code for more.



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