



## **PROSPECTIVE ADOPTIVE PARENT – WHAT TO DO NEXT**

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### **EVERYONE:**

- Decide about retaining Kirsh & Kirsh. Once you have made your decision, email Michelle ([michelle@kirsh.com](mailto:michelle@kirsh.com)).
- Michelle will send you the following documents via DocuSign (for Kirsh & Kirsh Directed, see additional documents in the next section):
  - Fee Agreement
  - Post Meeting Documents
  - ICWA Disclosure
  - ID Upload
- Complete a Home Study with any licensed child-placing agency in your area and have them email it to Michelle. For Indiana, we recommend [Adoptions of Indiana](#) or [Firefly Children & Family Alliance](#).
- Create a Gmail account to communicate with an expectant mom using only your first names and the word adoption (ie: [JackandJillAdopt@gmail.com](mailto:JackandJillAdopt@gmail.com)). Get a Google Voice # ([www.google.com/voice](http://www.google.com/voice)) using your new Google account. Download Google Voice App on your Smart Phone. Google Voice texting supports photos being sent and received.
- Follow us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/KirshandKirsh/>) and Instagram (<https://www.instagram.com/indianaadoption/>).

### **KIRSH & KIRSH DIRECTED:**

- Complete via DocuSign:
  - Adoption Services Agreement
  - Kirsh & Kirsh Directed Approach Acknowledgment
  - Database form
- Go to [www.indianaadoption.com/pay](http://www.indianaadoption.com/pay) or send a check to **Kirsh & Kirsh, P.C.** for \$7,750. (\$5,500 for Directed deposit + \$2,000 for initial payment + \$250 for pre-placement expenses).
- Sign up for **ParentFinder using the link below** (do NOT sign up directly at ParentFinder.com). The cost to create a profile with ParentFinder is \$590. Keep in mind that there is also a printing charge for printing your profiles of \$125 (includes 5 profile books + shipping).  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdHBAI9HkwRerE22WG9rR32YdwGTFueXz\\_QqFpaiTdvXKRwoA/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdHBAI9HkwRerE22WG9rR32YdwGTFueXz_QqFpaiTdvXKRwoA/viewform?c=0&w=1)

### **OR**

- Create your own profile that we can show to birth mothers once you become active. Please note that if you choose this option, you will not be featured on our website under “Waiting Families”, as our website is hosted by ParentFinder. However, we would still be able to share your profile directly with birth mothers with whom we have met. Please email Michelle if you have any questions or would like to see examples of profiles that previous adoptive parents have created.