



Adoption Month: Every Conversation Matters CWLA Resource Guide

Why Adoption?

- Why You Should Consider Adopting a Teen
- Positive Impacts of Adoption'
- Teens Need Permanency and Purpose

Adoption Facts:

- Adoption Myths and Facts
- Types of Adoption
- Adoption Laws by State
- Costs
- Matching Process
- FAQ
- Importance of Adopting Siblings
- Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute Fact Sheet
- National Adoption Day Events

Stories About the Power of Permanency

- US Department of Health and Human Services Youth Stories:
- Virginia Adoption Stories
- Amanda's Story
- Betty's Story
- Lexie's Story
- Ashley's Story
- All in Challenge: Youth and Family Stories

Adoptive Parent Resources:

- Parenting After Adoption
- Helping Adopted Children Cope with Grief and Loss
- 5 Ideas to Help Your Teen with Identity Challenges After Adoption
- Adoption and Developmental Stages
- AdoptUsKids Blog about family life

Kinship Care:

- What is Kinship Care?
- Why Kinship Care?
- Kinship Care personal stories
- Kinship Care FAQs