

INFERTILITY & ADOPTION COUNSELING CENTER



Workshop Series Crossing the Bridge from Infertility to Adoption

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2009

Time: 8:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A light lunch will be served.

Place: Princeton Hyatt, 102 Carnegie Center, Princeton, NJ 08540

This workshop is for you if you are just considering adoption or if you are waiting to adopt. You may also want to bring family members who you would like to get a better understanding of adoption. This program is approved by the National Association of Social Workers (provider #886509641) for 5 continuing education hours. Professionals working with these issues can get CEU credits for attendance.

Session 1: Is Adoption For You? What to Consider

Time: Promptly at 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

Speaker: Joni S. Mantell, LCSW, Director of the IAC Center; psychotherapist specializing in infertility & adoption

A discussion of some of the common emotions and issues people experience when considering adoption and during the adoption process: What to expect emotionally; how to deal with your own emotions and any issues between yourself and your partner; and how to begin thinking about building your family through adoption in a way that is timely yet mindful of long term considerations.

Session 2: The Adoption Triad- A of Adoptive Parents, Birth Parents and Adults Who Were Adopted

Time: 9:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Moderator: Joni S. Mantell, LCSW

Adoptive Parents, Birth Parents and Adults who were adopted will share their personal experiences and perspectives on adoption to help you to understand some of the life long issues in adoption. This will give you an opportunity to hear real emotions and probably have some of your fears and fantasies about adoption decreased as well. Joni S. Mantell, LCSW will discuss the common issues and concerns that adopted children have and how parents can talk with their children about adoption.

Session 3: Steps to Adoption: What to Consider and What to Expect in the Adoption Process

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.; and Conclusion from 1:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

A light lunch during Breakout Groups including: Domestic Adoption, International Adoption, and a 'not sure which method' (undecided) group moderated by IAC Center Counselors. You will have the opportunity to speak directly with professionals and adoptive parents.

Workshop Registration Form: Seating is limited. Pre-registration is required and should be completed at least one week prior to the event. Payment must be received in order to confirm your registration. Cancellations must be received at least three days prior to the event. For additional information call 609-737-8750 or email JMantellMSW@iaccenter.com. **Please return registration form and payment to: IAC Center, 2 Tree Farm Road, Suite A200, Pennington, NJ 08534**

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