



INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN ADOPTIONS

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ADOPTION ESTIMATED SERVICES AND FEES EXPLANATION – FULL SERVICES

(Please see Ministry Agreement for exact details. A Schedule for payments has been implemented to make this easier for you. This is simply an explanation.)

Pre-Application: **FREE**

FREE Info Meeting – Contact ICA for details

Application Fee: **\$500**

This non-refundable fee must accompany your formal application.

A. ICA GLOBAL AND ORPHANS SERVICES

Home Study and/or Document Services Fees: **\$2,400 - 4,000**

These fees cover ICA services in preparing and completing your adoption home study or ICA's cooperating agency fees. This includes social worker travel fees.

Non-ICA Home Study Review Fee: **\$350 - 600**

Any home studies written by one of ICA's cooperating agencies will be reviewed by ICA to ensure it meets all ICA and sending country criteria.

Case Management Processing Fee: **\$1,550**

ICA begins to go through all your documents and begins to compile the dossier.

Post-Adoption Services Fees: **\$1,400 - 3,000**

These fees cover the cost for ICA or your cooperating agency to provide post-adoption services, such as post-placement visits and reports completed by your social worker. Many countries require more than the standard 4 reports.

Post Placement Services Fees: **\$1,400 - 3,000**

These fees cover the cost for ICA or cooperating agency to provide services. Some countries require reporting PRIOR to the actual adoption finalization (i.e. a "guardianship or foster care" type of pre-adoptive placement). This is normally monthly visits and sometimes weekly visits and reporting depending on child/ren circumstances.

U.S. Agency Fees: \$6,000

The agency fees cover ICA's cost to coordinate your family's adoption with all state and Hague regulations as well as domestic and foreign government offices.

OTHER THIRD PARTY SERVICES

Adoptive Parent Education: \$260-500

This covers the cost of pre-adoptive parent training through online courses and other resources. This is paid to an online source such as NCFA or Adoption Partners, etc. Please contact a country coordinator for you Parent Training Schedule.

Prepare and Enrich Assessment: \$250

This is an assessment used to help you strengthen your marriage and prepare for adoption. ICA will assist you with this process and prepay for you. Family will be billed after the initiation of the assessment.

Psychological Evaluation: \$1,500- 1,800

Some countries require psychological evaluations using MCMI, MMPI or MIPPS. ICA can provide this service for you, please contact ICA Counseling Center for costs and initial appointment. Not all countries have this requirement. If you are "out of state" ICA will assist you in finding an appropriate licensed psychologist and you will pay them directly.

FBI and Child Abuse Clearances: \$85 - 150 est. per adult

All adoptive families must complete fingerprint-based FBI clearances as part of their home study. This is paid to the appropriate livescan location.

USCIS and Immigration-Related Fees: \$1,150

All families pursuing an international adoption are required to obtain approval from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) before bringing a child into the U.S. through adoption. These fees cover application fee, fingerprinting, your child's visa, and if needed, any relevant renewals or changes. Normally, these are paid directly to USCIS and other appropriate government offices.

Preplacement & Coordination Fees: \$1,000

ICA begins a matching process and reviews files of available children.

Orphan Support and Services: \$2,500

This fee helps provide care for other orphaned children who may not be adopted.

B. COUNTRY SUPPORT AND SERVICES

Bulgaria:	\$9,200-\$12,000
India:	\$6,000-\$ 8,000
Latvia:	\$5,000-\$10,000
Philippines:	\$ 4,000-\$ 8,000
Poland:	\$ 8,000-\$12,000
Romania:	\$ 3,000-\$ 8,000
Taiwan:	\$10,000-\$14,000

These fee rates are based on a single child adoption, and rates for some fees will vary in the case of a sibling group adoption. The variance is due to ICA's fees and cooperating agencies fees. Countries often change without notice.

OTHER THIRD PARTY EXPENSES

Document Authentication and Translation Fees: \$175 - 2,800

These fees cover costs of having your adoption documents authenticated and translated. The cost varies depending on country requirements. Apostille costs are normally paid to the authorized State office though each state varies. Translation costs are sometimes paid to the Foreign Supervised Provider OR in some cases a qualified translator will need to be secured. Sometimes these costs are referred to as "third party" costs.

Notary Services, County and State Authentication: \$250-2,000

The majority of documents associated with your adoption will require notarization. Additionally, depending on the country program you are adopting from, document certifications may also be required.

C. TRAVEL SERVICES

Travel Expenses: \$3,000- 8,000 est. per person

Each family's travel expenses will greatly vary, depending on the program through which you are adopting, the number of required trips, the number of travelers, the time of year, and amount of travel notice. Travel expenses may include airfare, lodging, food, in-country transportation, traveler visas, and travel coordination.

Medical Fee and Insurance for Adopted Child: \$75 - 150 estimated

While in the foreign country there will be a medical exam of the child which you will pay directly to the U.S. authorized clinic. Your adopted child must be added to your family's health coverage plan at the time your family assumes legal and financial responsibility for your child. This may occur upon approval of your adoption in your child's birth country or at the time you assume physical custody of your child.

Emergency Expense: \$1,000

D. TAX CREDIT

For adoptions finalized in 2015, there is a federal adoption tax credit of up to \$13,400 per child. The 2015 adoption tax credit is NOT a refundable credit, which means taxpayers can only get the credit refunded if they have federal income tax liability.

SCHEDULE #1 PAYMENTS TO ICA

Paid at time of application (Fees 7.0-7.1)	\$2,500
Paid upon application acceptance (Fee 7.2)	\$4,500
Paid upon completion of home study (Fee 7.3)	\$4,500
Paid when dossier sent to country (Fee 7.4)	\$2,500
Paid when the travel date is set (Fees 7.5-7.6)	\$4,500

(Please note that some of the payments included cover a portion of in-country costs required ahead of time)

SCHEDULE #2 PAYMENT FOR FOREIGN COUNTRY FEES (ESTIMATED) (Fees 7.10-7.11)

Medical Reports (Fee 7.10)	\$100 - 300
Ground Transportation, Flights, Hotel Boarding, Tours, Travel Expenses (per person) (Fee 7.10)	\$3,000 - 8,000
Child Care Expenses (Fee 7.9)	\$1,500 – 5,000
Foreign Service Provider (varies per country, if applicable) (Fee 7.8)*	\$3,000 -14,000
Central Authority (varies per country, usually replaces FSP fee) (Fee 7.8)*	\$3,000 – 8,000
Child Visa, Passport, Medicals (per child) (Fee 7.10)	\$100 - 300
Other Expense (Fee 7.11)	\$1,500 - 3,000
Emergency Expense (just in case)	\$1,000

*Schedule of in country fees are provided when family is approved for the specific international program.

SCHEDULE #3 RE-ADOPTION THIRD PARTY PAYMENTS

Re-adoption: **\$500 - 1,500**

ICA requires all families to complete their state's re-adoption process. State requirements vary, and in some cases, you may need to obtain legal assistance to complete the process and pay an attorney for these costs.