



# Post-Adoption/ Permanency Services

Adoption is not a singular event. It is a lifelong relationship.

But what happens to families after the adoption process is over; once the court hearing is done and the caseworkers are gone?

The road to a stable, fulfilling relationship is not always smooth. That's why Pressley Ridge offers post-adoption/permanency services to help children and their families grow stronger—through the adoption process and beyond.

## Our Services

### Case Assessment

A permanency specialist will assess the family's concerns and develop a family support plan to clarify the goals and needs identified.

### Case Management/Advocacy

Permanency specialists can identify community resources and coordinate support services to help the family meet their goals.

### Respite Care

Respite services provide families with planned breaks and resources to alleviate the pressures of parenting children with special needs. Services may include child-centered activities in or out of the home, overnight respite care, mentoring and camp experiences related to the child's needs.

### Family Support Groups

Post-adoption/permanency support groups meet in locations throughout Lancaster County and give families the opportunity to gather and learn about resources that have helped other families.

## Who Can Receive Services?

Post-adoption/permanency services are available for any family with a legally adopted child under the age of 18 who was adopted privately, through an agency, foster care or internationally. This includes permanent legal custodians providing permanency to a foster child.

## What is the Cost?

The Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare provides annual funding for post-adoption/permanency services. There is no direct cost to the family.

## For More Information

Families interested in any of Pressley Ridge's post-adoption/permanency services should contact the SWAN Helpline at (800) 585-7926 or Pressley Ridge at (717) 397-5241.



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