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.

For additional details, contact Nicole Commero at (717) 947-3713 or ncommero@pressleyridge.org.