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APPLICANTS/PARENTS AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Help us get to know you and move the home study process along quickly by completing this questionnaire. If you run out of room, feel free to use the back or some separate paper. But do number your answers! Thanks.

1. Describe your own personality. What do you like least and best about yourself?

2. What is your reasoning for fostering or adopting a child? What is your experience and understanding of foster care and adoption?

3. What was your childhood and adolescence like? How were you corrected and disciplined?

4. In what ways would you be like your family of origin and how would you be different?

5. If you have been married/in a committed relationship before, tell about that relationship and why it ended. How is this marriage/relationship different?

6. Tell when and how you met your spouse/partner and describe your courtship.

7. Describe your spouse/partner's personality. What do you like best and least about him/her?

8. What are some of the difficulties you have faced in your marriage/partnership? How have you resolved them? Please talk about coping skills you utilized.

9. What are the strengths you bring to parenting? How much experience have you had with a child?

10. How will you correct a child when s/he misbehaves?

11. How would you help your child to develop a good feeling about him/herself?

12. What goals do you (or would you) have for your child as an adult?

13. What are your favorite activities (family and individual)? How will a child affect these?

14. If you and your spouse both work, what arrangements do you plan to make for child care?

15. Why do you want to adopt a child?

16. If you've struggled with infertility, what are the problems and what have you done about it. How are you feeling about infertility now?

17. Have you ever been in counseling in the past? If so, please discuss.

18. How would you feel if your adopted child wanted to search for his/her birth relatives?

19. How will you help your child understand what adoption means?

Thanks for your time and thoughtfulness. We look forward to getting to know you more personally very soon.