



Welcome to Texas Adoption Home Studies (TAHS)

Uncontested Stepparent/Second Parent Home Study Packet Instructions

Thank you for choosing us for your adoption and home evaluation process. We're excited to be a part of your adoption journey and are here to assist you.

Step 1: Document Submissions

1. Make sure you've gathered all the required documents listed on the uncontested adoption checklist provided in the login area for uncontested adoptions.
 - Questionnaire
 - Copy of the Affidavit of Relinquishment of Parental Rights
 - (if applicable)
 - Copy of the Death Certificate for Adoptive Child(ren) Biological Parent (if applicable)
 - Birth Certificates or Copy of Passports for any and All Household Members
 - Copy of Marriage License for Petitioners
 - Copy of All Divorce Decrees for Petitioners
 - Texas Department of Public Safety/ Identogo Fingerprint Results for Both Parents
2. Once you have all the necessary documents ready, please upload them to your TAHS login. Let us know once everything is uploaded.

Step 2: Criminal History Checks/Background Clearances Instructions

For both parents/petitioners involved in the adoption, complete the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Criminal History Check using the following steps:

1. Access the **Texas DPS Form** for adoption available on your TAHS login.
2. Schedule an appointment with Identogo to undergo your Texas DPS Criminal History Clearance **and have the results sent to yourself.**

3. Identogo will send the results to you via mail. You won't need any paper fingerprint cards; just the Texas DPS history check emailed to you.
4. Once you receive the background check results remember to upload them through your TAHS Login.

Contact Us

We are here to assist you for your uncontested adoption. If you have any questions or need help, feel free to reach out to us via email at va.texasadoptionhomestudies@gmail.com or by calling (800) 245-2421.

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