

Support for EP Carers

(This may vary depending on your area so please check with your assessing social worker)

While you are still in assessment (stage 2) but have decided you want to offer EP:

- Social work support through your adoption SW.
- Peer support from other EP Carers – you can have your email and telephone number (and a brief description of where you are in the process) added to the EP Support Network List which is a confidential list of EP Carers who are happy to contact and be contacted by other EP carers in the region.
- Buddy link to other EP carers through your social worker.

If the court grants a Placement Order:

- All the above and...
- The adopters can now access all the adoption support offered by their Adoption Agency and the relevant local authority.

If the child returns to the birth family:

- All the above and...
- Enhanced Social Work Support.
- Up to 6 sessions of counselling/therapy to help the EP family process the loss.