

Pregnant & Confused? We can help you!

You may be getting lots of advice from family and friends or even people you don't know. Don't be pressured into making a hasty decision. This may be the most serious decision you have to make in your life for yourself and your child.

We are birth parent advocates. We will answer your questions, help you think through your choices, and help you decide what to do next.

You can arrange an appointment at your home, at our office, or a location convenient for you.

Our services are
Free, Private, and Confidential.
Call any Day, any Time.
1-800-247-6365
www.chsofnj.org

Pregnancy and Birth Parent Services

- ♥ Referrals 24/7
- ♥ You Make the Choices
- ♥ Ongoing Services
- ♥ Infant/Toddler Care While You Decide
- ♥ All Placement Options Discussed
- ♥ You choose from an Approved Family

The Mission of The Children's Home Society of NJ

Founded in 1894, The Children's Home Society of New Jersey is a nonsectarian, not-for-profit private agency that promotes the welfare of infants, children, adolescents and parents throughout New Jersey and Eastern, Pennsylvania. As a comprehensive counseling, placement, parenting educational, and child care agency, CHS of NJ touches the lives of 21,000 children and families each year.

Mission

Saving children's lives and Building healthy families

Values

We value services that work, that are all evaluated, and that help children and parents to help themselves. Our services are delivered with dignity, cultural sensitivity and respect for our clients.

Vision

Every child is in a safe, caring, and permanent family
All children and parents have the skills and knowledge they need to help themselves long after our active case involvement has ended.

Major Service Areas

- ♥ Child Welfare/Permanency services
- ♥ Clinical/Mental Health services
- ♥ Early Childhood and Parent Education services
- ♥ Community/Neighborhood based services
- ♥ School based services
- ♥ Child Care services

Certified Approved Adoption Agency in New Jersey and Pennsylvania



For more information on Birth Parent Counseling,
please call or write to:

The Children's Home Society of NJ
635 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08611
(609) 695-6274 ♥ Fax (609) 394-5769
www.chsofnj.org

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You make the Choices



Being pregnant may have you scared and confused. With the help of The Children's Home Society of New Jersey you will not be alone. We will help and support you without judgment. Most of all we will respect your decision.

Consider the Following:

- ♥ Every option is explored.
- ♥ You may decide to parent your child.
- ♥ You may decide to place your child with an adoptive family.
- ♥ If you are continuing with your pregnancy, you do not need to make a permanent decision while you're pregnant.
- ♥ You may decide you need more time to make preparations and consider your choices.
- ♥ Services are also available to birth fathers.

Parenting your Child

If you decide to parent your child:

- ♥ We can refer you to the right places for medical care and other needed services.
- ♥ We can help you learn to take care of your child.
- ♥ We can offer you supportive services.
- ♥ Services are based on your needs and the needs of your child.

Take time to Consider your Choices

If you need more time to consider your choices or make preparations:

- ♥ Don't make a hasty decision.
- ♥ You can choose to place your child with one of our loving, temporary child care families at no cost to you.
- ♥ You can visit your child while he or she is with a child care family.
- ♥ The child's medical care will be provided free of charge.
- ♥ Counseling services are available to you even after you make a decision.
- ♥ All services are Free and Confidential.

Placing your child with an Adoptive Family

As the birthparent, you have the option to make all the decisions.

If you decide adoption is best:

- ♥ You can choose adoptive parents for your child from among our approved families.
- ♥ You can allow us to choose the caring adoptive family, and you do not need to have any contact with the family.
- ♥ You can choose an adoptive family known to you.
- ♥ You can meet the adoptive family.
- ♥ You can hear about your child as he or she grows and receive photographs.
- ♥ You can place your child with an adoptive family directly from the hospital

