

Adoption has changed over the years, in a good way.

Open adoption is now common and encouraged from birth. About 95% of adoptions are open to some degree today in America.

### **Open Adoption Can Look Different for Everyone**

- 1. Every open adoption has contact information exchanged** - there is a relationship and communication between the adoptive and birth families
- 2. There are a few negotiables for birth families to ask for and adoptive parents to agree to** - having visits and how often, birthdays and special milestones
- 3. Open adoption is healthier for birth parents** - the relationship helps them to see and hear how their child is doing
- 4. Open adoption benefits the adoptee** - it helps them know their identity and biological roots, family history and common traits and interests

*We believe in the motto "One Big Family" and that is the goal of adoption.*