

Preparing families to care for their newly adopted child

Those considering international adoption could face a host of complexities throughout the process, including those resulting from health and developmental challenges for the child they plan to adopt. Rutgers Health's International Adoption Medicine Clinic can help identify any potential areas of medical and developmental concern and refer families to the services that best fit the child's special needs.

Working in conjunction with the child's pediatrician, we offer expert consultation to families and physicians, including common medical problems seen in children who are adopted internationally, whether they are country-specific issues or commonly acquired infections/conditions resulting from your child's travel to the United States, as well as provide an assessment of the child's developmental level.

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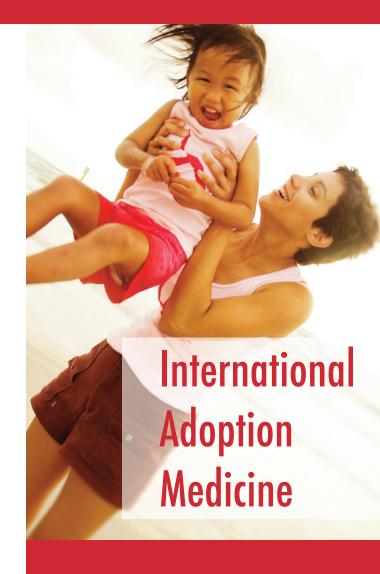
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Our team is committed to providing compassionate, highly specialized care for families who are in the process of adopting a child internationally. We understand and can help you navigate the health issues that may arise for children born outside of the United States.

Our Services

The International Adoption Medicine Clinic provides pre- and post-adoption services.

Pre-adoption services include a review of the child's medical records and video footage (commonly known as a "referral evaluation"). Consultation for assistance with your adoption agency's special needs checklist is also offered.

Please note: pre-adoption services are not billable to any insurance. A fee schedule is available.

Post-adoption, initial post-placement medical evaluations are available following the child's arrival home. These evaluations include:

- Comprehensive examination
- Developmental assessment
- Lab tests
- Immunization plan
- Referral to any necessary subspecialty services

In addition, follow-up visits at 6 months and 12 months are recommended.

About Our Director:

Susan Dibs, MD, is a board-certified pediatrician who has completed a three-year fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine. She also is the



mother of a daughter adopted from China and has been practicing International Adoption Medicine since 2008.



To schedule an appointment, call 732-235-7787.