

## ADOPTION SUPPORT GROUPS

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### ACT

#### *Australian Capital Territory State Government Agencies*

Office for Children, Youth and Family Support  
ACT Adoptions Unit  
GPO Box 158  
CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601  
Phone: 02 6207 1335  
Web: [www.dhcs.act.gov.au](http://www.dhcs.act.gov.au)  
Email: [adoptions@act.gov.au](mailto:adoptions@act.gov.au)

#### *ACT Support Groups*

Adoption Mosaic  
Phone: 02 6291 9908

Adoptive Families Association of the ACT  
Julia on 02 6294 3546  
[jurol@hotmail.com](mailto:jurol@hotmail.com)  
[www.adoption.org.au](http://www.adoption.org.au)

### New South Wales

#### *New South Wales State Government Agencies*

Adoption Information Unit  
Adoption and Permanent Care Services  
Community Services NSW  
Locked Bag 4028  
Ashfield  
NSW 2131  
(02) 9716 3002 or 1300 799 023

Email: [adoption@community.nsw.gov.au](mailto:adoption@community.nsw.gov.au)  
Web: [www.community.nsw.gov.au/adoptions](http://www.community.nsw.gov.au/adoptions)

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## *NSW Support Groups*

### Sydney

Adoptive Parents Association of NSW  
02 9817 6282

Dulwich Hill (inner west)  
Origins - for adoptees and natural parents  
Dian: 02 9560 8808  
Main Office: 02 8786 1035  
Lily: 02 9604 7006

Pendle Hill (west)  
Robyn: 02 9636 8437 (w)

### Regional

Casino (far north coast)  
Maggie on 02 6662 4444 (w)

Coffs Harbour (north coast)  
Ruth: 02 6652 7666 (w)

Shoalhaven (south coast)  
Maryanne: 02 4421 2958 (h)

Wagga Wagga  
Lisa: 02 69218498

Wollongong  
Megan: 02 4229 2687 (h)  
[wollongonglinks@hotmail.com](mailto:wollongonglinks@hotmail.com)

### Intercountry adoption groups

Australians Adopting European Children (AAEC)  
PO Box 48  
Blakehurst NSW 2221  
Telephone: 0414 923 924  
Fax: 02 9547 3216  
[coral@ldaus.com.au](mailto:coral@ldaus.com.au)  
Website: [www.ldaus.com.au/aaec/index.html](http://www.ldaus.com.au/aaec/index.html)

Aid for the Children of Brazil  
PO Box 4035  
Edgeworth NSW 2285  
02 4955 1789

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Australians Families for Children (AFC)

Postal address:

P.O. Box 7420

Bondi Beach NSW 2026

Street Address:

Suite 3/2 Norwich Road

Rose Bay NSW 2029

Phone 02 9371 9244

Fax 02 9371 9544

[info@australiansadopt.org](mailto:info@australiansadopt.org)

[www.australiansadopt.org](http://www.australiansadopt.org)

Australian Society for Intercountry Aid for Children

(India, Korea, Taiwan, Thailand)

02 9365 4186 [www.asiac.org.au](http://www.asiac.org.au)

Friends of FANA (Columbia)

02 9388 8686

[kbrodaty@yahoo.com](mailto:kbrodaty@yahoo.com)

ISS NSW Office

Suite 8, Level 1

13-15 Wentworth Avenue

EAST SYDNEY NSW 2010

Email: [adminnsw@iss.org.au](mailto:adminnsw@iss.org.au)

website: [www.iss.org.au](http://www.iss.org.au)

## **Northern Territory**

*Northern Territory Government Agencies*

Department of Health and Community Services

PO Box 40596

CASUARINA NT 0811

Phone: 08 8922 7077

Fax: 08 8922 7480

No adoption-specific page on website

Web: [www.nt.gov.au/health](http://www.nt.gov.au/health)

## **Queensland**

*Queensland State Government Agencies*

Local & Post Adoptions Unit

Department of Child Safety

Street Address

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ABN 95 084 695 045

Level 1, 111 George Street  
BRISBANE QLD 4001  
Postal Address  
GPO Box 806  
BRISBANE QLD 4001  
phone: 07 3224 7415  
Fax: 07 3210 0350  
[lpasumailbox@childsafety.qld.gov.au](mailto:lpasumailbox@childsafety.qld.gov.au)  
[www.childsafety.qld.gov.au/adoption](http://www.childsafety.qld.gov.au/adoption)

### *Queensland Support Groups*

Adoption Privacy Protection Group  
Phone: 07 3843 2388  
email: [appg@powerup.com.au](mailto:appg@powerup.com.au)

Jigsaw QLD - Brisbane  
07 3358 6666

### Intercountry Adoption Groups

Australian African Children's Aid  
[www.aacasa.org.au](http://www.aacasa.org.au)

Intercountry Adoptive Families of QLD (IAFQ)  
07 3279 2133  
Website: [www.iafq.org.au/mambo](http://www.iafq.org.au/mambo)

## **South Australia**

### *South Australia State Government Agencies*

Adoption and Family Information Service South Australia  
Families SA  
Department for Families and Communities  
GPO Box 292  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA 5001  
Phone: 08 8207 0060  
Fax: 08 8207 0066  
Email: [adoptions@dfc.sa.gov.au](mailto:adoptions@dfc.sa.gov.au)  
Web: [www.adoptions.sa.gov.au](http://www.adoptions.sa.gov.au)

### *South Australia Support Groups*

Adopted Persons Support Group  
08 8254 6015

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ARMS (Association Representing Mothers Separated from their Children by Adoption)

Phone: 08 8221 6944

Fax: 08 8221 6977

Jigsaw SA

Phone: 08 8344 7529

Fax: 08 8344 7522

Parents of Adoptees Group Inc South Australia

08 8270 4400

Intercountry Adoption Groups

East Meets West Inc

72 Fullarton Rd

NORWOOD SA 5067

Phone: 08 8132 1570

email: [info@eastmeetswest.org.au](mailto:info@eastmeetswest.org.au)

Website: [www.eastmeetswest.org.au](http://www.eastmeetswest.org.au)

World Families Australia

[www.worldfamilies.org.au](http://www.worldfamilies.org.au)

## **Tasmania**

*Tasmania State Government Agencies*

The Department of Health and Human Services

Adoption and Information Service

GPO Box 538

HOBART TAS 7001

Phone: 03 6222 7373

Fax: 03 6223 1343

*Tasmanian Support Groups*

Centacare Family Services

PO Box 369

MOONAH TAS 7009

Phone 03 6278 1660

Email: [centacare.hobart@aohtas.org.au](mailto:centacare.hobart@aohtas.org.au)

ACE (Accepting Children Everywhere)

(03) 6327 3355

[gpowell@tassie.net.au](mailto:gpowell@tassie.net.au)

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Tasmania Intercountry Adoption Groups

ASIAC (Australian Society Intercountry Aid to Children)  
(03) 6267 4629

## **Victoria**

### *Victorian State Government Agencies*

Adoption and Family Records

Street Address:

Level 20, 570 Bourke Street  
MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Mailing Address:

PO Box 588

Collins Street West

MELBOURNE VIC 3007

Phone: 03 8608 5700

1300 769926

### *Victorian Support Groups*

Adoptive Families Association of Victoria

03 9574 8873

ARMS (Association of Relinquishing Mothers (Vic) Inc)

Phone: 03 9768 0232

VANISH Inc (Victorian Adoption Network for Information & Self Help)

PO Box 112, CARLTON SOUTH VIC 3053

Phone: 03 9328 8611 Or 1300 VANISH

Fax: 03 9329 1752

email: [info@vanish.org.au](mailto:info@vanish.org.au)

[www.vanish.org.au](http://www.vanish.org.au)

Intercountry Adoption Resource Network (ICARN)

[www.icarn.com.au](http://www.icarn.com.au)

Centacare Adoption & Family Records Service

Level 16, 589 Collins St

Melbourne VIC 3000

ph: 03 9616 2822

## **Western Australia**

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Adoption Service of the Department for Community Development  
PO Box 6334  
East Perth WA 6892  
Phone: 08 9222 2870  
Fax: 08 9222 2607  
Toll free: 1800 622 258  
Web: [www.community.wa.gov.au](http://www.community.wa.gov.au)

*Western Australian Support Groups*

ARMS WA (Association Representing Mothers Separated from their Children by Adoption)  
PO Box 521  
Hamilton Hill WA 6963  
Phone: 08 9336 1337

Adoption Jigsaw WA Inc  
PO Box 819 Cottesloe WA 6911  
Tel: 08 9384 0222  
Fax: 08 9384 7192  
Email: [jigsaw@jigsaw.org.au](mailto:jigsaw@jigsaw.org.au)  
Web: [www.jigsaw.org.au](http://www.jigsaw.org.au)

ARCS (Adoption Research and Counselling Service)  
38 Queens Crescent  
PO Box 187  
Mount Lawley WA 6929  
Phone: 08 9370 4914  
Fax: 08 9370 4917  
Email: [arcs@adoptionwa.org.au](mailto:arcs@adoptionwa.org.au)  
Website: [www.adoptionwa.org.au](http://www.adoptionwa.org.au)

Adoption Support for Families and Children  
15 Cambridge St  
Leederville WA 6901  
phone: 08 9489 4008  
email: [info@asfc.info](mailto:info@asfc.info)  
web: [www.asfc.info](http://www.asfc.info)

Post Adoption Resource Centre  
Locked Bag 6002  
Hurstville NSW 1481  
T 02 9504 6788  
F 02 9570 2699  
E [parc@bensoc.org.au](mailto:parc@bensoc.org.au)  
[www.bensoc.org.au](http://www.bensoc.org.au)

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