

Pre- Adoption Psychological Evaluations in the Chicago Area

More and more adoption agencies within the United States and internationally are requiring a pre-adoption psychological evaluation for prospective parents. Generally, a pre-adoption psychological evaluation is not as extensive as a typical comprehensive psychological evaluation. A pre-adoption evaluation provides an overview of each parent's psychosocial functioning and parent readiness as well as marital stability. Most of the measures in an adoption assessment are self-report measures and focus on information gathered from interviews with the prospective parents. In some cases a more objective measure of personality is requested from an adoption agency. In most cases, evaluations can be adapted to the particular needs of the prospective parents and adoption agency.