

**9:00-10:30 Opening Session and Keynote with Rob Scheer, CEO of Comfort Cases**

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A		Successful Domestic Adoptions - Agency or Independent Placement <i>Michael Goldstein, Esq. Joy Goldstein, LCSW Laurie Goldheim, Esq. Zachary Fried</i>	<b>Adoption Advertising for the Budget and Time Conscious Family</b> <i>Ben Santiardo</i>	Young Adult Adoptee Panel	Affording Adoption <i>Michele Fried</i>	International Agency Panel
B		International Adoption 101 <i>Susan Orban, USCIS &amp; State Dept.</i>	<b>Open Adoption</b> <i>Joni Mantell LCSW Rebecca Mendell, Esq</i>	International Adoption Process and Paperwork <i>Sue Orban, UCSIS &amp; State Dept.</i>	Medical Issues in International Adoption <i>Paul Lee, MD</i>	The Comprehensive Medical Examination for the Adopted Child <i>Paul Lee, MD</i>
C		Understanding Risks in International and Domestic Adoption <i>Dr. Jane Aronson, DO, FAAP</i>	<b>Positive Relationships with Birth Family Pre &amp; Post Placement</b> <i>Joy Goldstein, LCSW</i>	<b>Creating Adoption Profiles</b> <i>Joy Goldstein LCSW Lisa Treitman, LMSW</i>	Crossing State Lines: Issues in Domestic Adoption Placement <i>Rebecca Mendel, Esq</i>	
D		The Adoption Home Study in New York and Connecticut <i>Steven Baranowski LCSW</i>	<b>New York Law: Birth Mother and Birth Father Rights</b> <i>Laurie Goldheim Esq.</i>	Latest News and Updates on Asia Adoption <i>Sama Alghali, MSS, LMSW</i>	<b>Talking to Friends and Family about Adoption</b> <i>Ellen Murphy Keeley, LCSW</i>	NY Adoption Home Study <i>Ellen Murphy Keeley, LCSW</i>
E		Infertility to Adoption : The Journey <i>Anne F. Malave, Ph.D</i>	Choosing: Adoption or Third Party Reproduction <i>Anne F. Malave PhD</i>	Parenting After Infertility <i>Lisa Rosenthal, M.S.Ed.</i>	Adoption or Assisted Reproductive Options: Which Family Building Path is Right for You <i>Denise Seidelman Esq Joni Mantell LCSW</i>	<b>How to Survive and Thrive While You're Waiting</b> <i>Leslie Zindulka, LCSW</i>
F		Family Building in NJ: Agency, Independent and Foster Care <i>Laurie Steinberg, Esq</i>	<b>Exploring Transracial Adoption - The Shift from Color Blind to Color Conscious</b> <i>Michele Fried Zachary Fried</i>	<b>Talking to Birthparents</b> <i>Nidia Sica LCSW</i>	10 Questions You Wanted to Ask Your Agency or Attorney but Were Afraid to Ask <i>Brian Esser Esq</i>	“Where’s My Mommy (or Daddy)?” A Guide to Answering Tough Questions When Your Child’s Family Looks Different <i>Brian Esser, Esq</i>
G		The Myths and Realities of Foster Adoption <i>Lisa Peck Goldberg, Esq. Leslie Silver Hoffman, Esq. Vivian Sklar, Esq</i>	A Comparison of Foster and Private Adoption <i>Lisa Peck Goldberg, Esq Leslie Silver Hoffman, Esq. Vivian Sklar, Esq</i>	Adoption from Foster Care Learn Why and How <i>Rachel Hood</i>	Voices from Foster Care: Fostering and Adoption <i>Yasmin Mistry, BFA, MS, CASA</i>	

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H		How to Identify Red Flags and Other Pitfalls on the Road to Adoption <i>Jeanine Castagna, Esq.</i>	<b>Complex Trauma and Attachment</b> <i>Emily Becker-Weidmann, Ph.D</i>	Helping Your Child with ADHD Thrive <i>Emily Becker-Wiedman, Ph.D</i>	Post Adoption Supports <i>Caryl Svendsen Deiches</i>	Special Education Services : What You Need to Know <i>Caryl Svendsen Deiches</i>
I		<b>Infant or Older Child Adoption: Which is Right for Me/Us?</b> <i>Nicole Cummins</i>	International Adoption <i>E Stefani Moon MA, LPC IMH E</i>	Agency vs Private Placement Adoption <i>Denise Seidelman, Esq Melissa Struck</i>	Domestic Adoption 101 <i>Jeanine Castagna, Esq</i>	Private Placement Adoption <i>Denise Seidelman</i>
J		Building Your Adoption Team <i>Brian Esser, Esq Leslie Zindulka, LCSW</i>	<b>Understanding the Potential Developmental Effects of In Utero Substance Exposure</b> <i>Stephanie Rolin, MD, MPH Alicia Rolin, MD ScM</i>	<b>Love is a Not Enough: Real Conversations About Transracial Adoption</b> <i>E Stefani Moon MA, LPC IMH E</i>	Adopting as a Single Parent <i>Michael Goldstein Esq.</i>	<b>Post Adoption Agreements and Birth Family Relationships</b> <i>Michael Goldstein Esq Lisa Treitman, LMSW</i>
K		<b>Talking to Your Child about Adoption: Infancy to Age 6</b> <i>Joni Mantell, LCSW</i>	Starting the Adoption Process: Certification is the First Step <i>Jeanine Castagna LCSW</i>	Surrogacy, Egg Donation, Sperm Donation, Embryo Donation <i>Laurie Goldheim, Esq Rebecca Mendel, LCSW</i>	Useful Answers to Practical Questions <i>Herb Pitkowsky, Esq.</i>	

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