STANDARDS

533.1  **Counselling and support**

The agency makes counselling and support services available to all members of the adoptive family during a required period after placement to assure the successful integration of the child into his/her new family.

533.2  **First visit**

Following placement of a child, a home visit with the adoptive family and child occurs **within ten working days**.

533.3  **Monthly supervision**

From the time of placement to when the adoption is finalized, contact with the adoptive family occurs **monthly**. Home visits are made if the situation warrants it.

533.4  **Placement assessment**

The agency ascertains the child's development and general adjustment is satisfactory and that the adoptive family is able to cope with any special needs the child presents, prior to recommending the legal finalization of the adoption.