

**SPENCE-CHAPIN SERVICES TO FAMILIES AND CHILDREN NOW  
LICENSED AS A FULL-SERVICE ADOPTION AGENCY IN CONNECTICUT**

**AGENCY IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING NEW APPLICATIONS FOR THEIR  
DOMESTIC INFANT AND SPECIAL NEEDS ADOPTION PROGRAMS IN NEW  
YORK, NEW JERSEY AND CONNECTICUT**

New York, NY, June 3, 2016 - Spence-Chapin Services to Families and Children announced today that, in addition to New York and New Jersey, it has become licensed as an adoption agency in the state of Connecticut. The century old agency will now be able to offer all adoption services as well as mental and emotional health programs to Connecticut families. This includes international, domestic, and special needs adoption, adoption home studies, post-placement supervision, adoption finalization, biological parent counseling & support, and family counseling.

Spence-Chapin's Domestic Adoption Programs are presently accepting new applications from the tri-state area. The Domestic Adoption Programs support Spence-Chapin's mission of providing adoption and adoption-related services of the highest quality.

"Spence-Chapin has an active Domestic Adoption Program and I'm pleased to say that we can extend this service to Connecticut families, in addition to families in New York and New Jersey" says Linda Alexandre, Director Domestic Adoption.

For families in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut interested in beginning the infant adoption process with Spence-Chapin, informational webinars are frequently held online. During a webinar, Spence-Chapin staff will share details about domestic adoption at Spence-Chapin including information about the children in need of adoption, the matching process, options counseling and support for biological parents, open adoption, and steps in the adoption process. All webinar attendees receive the adoption application. For more information, interested families should visit: <http://www.spence-chapin.org/events/category/domestic-adoption-at-spence-chapin-1>.

**About Spence-Chapin Services to Families and Children**

Spence-Chapin is a licensed and accredited non-profit organization. The agency brings over 100 years of experience in finding families for children through its adoption and mental and emotional health programs. Spence-Chapin's fundamental belief is that Every Child Deserves A Family. Through its Modern Family Center, Spence-Chapin has broadened its impact in child welfare and permanency by providing support, workshops, crisis intervention, and pre- and post-adoption counseling services. The agency provides its services to children in need of a family; birth, foster, and adoptive parents; as well as family and health institutions.