Information on Disruption/Dissolution of Adoption

The topic of disruption/dissolution of an adoption is always difficult – but very importing. If you have any questions about this information please contact your travel advisor.

During the billing process you will receive and sign the disruption/dissolution policy acknowledgement. This document outlines specific information about the legal aspects of a disruption or dissolution in China. Please make sure you read this carefully when you receive it and after you sign the document I would make a copy to bring with you to China.

The information below outlines some key facts and resources for you about disruption/dissolutions of an adoption in China.

1. Should you have any concerns regarding your adoption DO NOT sign any paperwork. In the acknowledgement policy you will sign during billing it outlines the following: The adoption documents signed in China are legal documents granting legal rights to Client(s) as the adoptive child’s parent(s). Completion and signing of the adoption documents assigns and formalizes Client(s) as the child’s legal guardian(s). Once the adoption is finalized in China and in accordance with China law, the Prospective Adoptive Parent(s) become the legal parent/guardian of the child and the child acquires all the rights, privileges and immunities of a child born to the client(s). *Great Wall* cannot reverse this legal and binding relationship.

2. If you feel there is a health concern with your child, notify your guide immediately so they may take appropriate actions to take him/her to a doctor for diagnosis

3. Upon notification, Great Wall will be in contact with your family to provide assistances and resources as needed. Great Wall will contact your social worker/home study agency to notify them of the situation so they may provide you with counseling or resources as well.

4. If the adoption is finalized and a dissolution of the adoption is requested, please note that the decision to grant this request is solely up to the Civil Affairs Bureau of the child’s province and the China Centre for Children’s Welfare and Adoption (hereinafter referred to as CCCWA). Great Wall has no jurisdiction.
5. If the adoption dissolution/disruption is granted and a referral is requested in China, the decision to provide a referral while in China is solely up to the Civil Affairs Bureau and the China Centre for Children’s Welfare and Adoption (hereinafter referred to as CCCWA). Great Wall has no jurisdiction.

6. Should you receive a referral while in China, please note that your adoption appointments will be rescheduled and you will be delayed in your return to the United States. Great Wall will advise you on this process on a case-by-case basis. If you are adopting under the Hague Convention the current I800 will need to be withdrawn and a new I800 and DS-230 will need to be filed in the U.S. You must return to the United States to complete this process.

As always, we will be here to assist you and guide you. We are your advocate and will do all we can to provide you resources, guidance and support. We ask that you remember that we are bound by the regulations and policies of the Chinese and U.S. governments and in the end the decisions regarding approval for any of the situations noted above are governed by these entities.

As with any crisis situation we ask that you remain calm and appropriate with the Chinese Officials and with Great Wall staff who are working on your behalf.