

Patient Resources for Family History Information

1. Vital Documents (birth, death & marriage certificates)
 - a. To obtain contact information for vital documents from each state:
www.vitalchek.com
 2. National Archives
 - a. www.archives.gov
 - b. Go to section: Genealogy/Getting Started → About Genealogy and Family History Research
 - c. Has links to:
 - i. Census Records
 - ii. Military Records
 - iii. Immigration Records (Ship Passenger Lists)
 - iv. Naturalization Records
 - v. Land Records
 - d. Other resources:
 - i. Publications
 - ii. Tools, forms
 - iii. FAQs
 3. Adoption
 - a. The National Adoption Information Clearinghouse (NAIC)
Children's Bureau/ACYF
1250 Maryland Ave, SW
Eighth Floor
Washington, DC 20024
Phone 888-251-0075
<http://naic.acf.hhs.gov/>
Information and resources about adoption/ beginning a search for biological parents
 4. Online genealogical resources
 - a. www.genealogy.org Links to genealogy websites/databases.
 - b. www.ancestry.com Free trial for 14 days, then fee.
- Other Sources**
5. Religious Records
 - a. Cemetery records
 - b. Baptismal, confirmation, bar/bat mitzvah records
 6. School Information
 - a. Report cards/yearbooks/graduation certificates
 7. Family Papers
 - a. Driver's licenses/address books/wills/banking & insurance records/diaries
 - b. Land grants and deeds
 8. Oral and Written Family Histories
 - a. Ask relatives to share info they have collected, review what you have collected

The Practical Guide to The Genetic Family History, Robin L. Bennett 1999

How Healthy is Your Family Tree?, Carol Krause 1995