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China's Children International Local Chapter Facebook Group Membership and Posting Policies

- *CCI Boston: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CCIBostonNewEnglandChineseAdoptees/>
- CCI Philadelphia: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CCI.Philadelphia/>
- CCI UNC Research Triangle area: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CCITriangleArea/>
- CCI Washington DC area: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/329225004307166/about/>
- CCI Seattle: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/945434665646022/>
- *CCI UK: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CCIUKChineseAdoptees/>
- *CCI New York: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2079223555619434>
- *CCI San Diego: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1491873538000617>
- CCI Taipei: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/581068330357495>
- *CCI Atlanta: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1270987490454667>

*Active chapters

SPECIAL DISCLAIMER:

These groups are to facilitate local, in-person meet-ups. By taking part in these local meet-ups, you are consenting that you understand and accept the risks that inherently come with traveling to and from urban areas and meeting up with potential strangers. You freely assume all risk of accident, injury, illness, or damage to me or my property associated with participation in these events.

You MUST use your discretion in taking part in events, especially for events not officially sponsored by CCI. If you have any questions as to whether an event is officially sponsored, please email us at chinachildreninternational@gmail.com.

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Description:

CCI is an international organization created by and for Chinese adoptees. Because we acknowledge that there is a kind of connection that is impossible to achieve through online discussions, CCI has launched Local Chapters in a number of cities across America. The purpose of these Local Chapters is to allow Chinese adoptees to meet-up for in-person community building activities and social events in their local area. Each Local Chapter has its own closed Facebook group, in which we will post pertinent event notifications and announcements as well as encourage discussion among local adoptees in a safe and structured space.

Important Note:

As a member or prospective member of CCI, our CCI FB coordinator or a member of the CCI Board may attempt to reach out to you for a number of reasons, including, but not limited to, regarding your answers to the membership questions, a post you have made, or a violation of our policies. We will first reach out to you via FB messenger first. If you have strict privacy settings that restrict us from reaching out to you, we request that you either adjust your privacy settings such that we can contact you, allow one of the CCI Board Members to “friend” you, or send us an email so that we can get in touch with you. If none of these happen, and we are unable to get in contact with you, we will unfortunately have to take action without your input. For a membership request or post request that we have questions about, that means we will have to delete your request or decline to approve post. So please reach out to us at chinachildreninternational@gmail.com if you have not heard from us regarding a post or membership request.

Membership Requirements:

1. You must be a Chinese adoptee from or spending a significant amount of time in the designated area to join (work, school, live there, and so on).
2. Adoptees 18+ years for the local groups, please.
3. You must first be a member of our main group [here](#) or our Adoptee Only Group [here](#) in order to join. No exceptions to this rule will be made. These are closed groups, so you must request to join, answer the prompts, and be approved by an admin



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4. All members must join and participate as individuals and may not act on behalf of an organization or institution.
5. By becoming a member, you are agreeing to adhere to our Community Guidelines
6. If we find you to have misrepresented yourself or your identity, we will immediately revoke your membership.
7. If your profile picture and information is under strict privacy settings, we recommend that you also send a message to our [CCI Facebook page](#) or our main email (chinachildreninternational@gmail.com) letting us know that you're interested in joining.
8. If you have requested to join a number of weeks ago but still have yet to hear back, check the "Message Requests" tab in the FB chats window (because we may have sent you a message to verify your identity) or shoot us an email at chinachildreninternational@gmail.com.

Community Guidelines:

1. Please be respectful of all members. It is fine to disagree, but please do so respectfully!
 - a. Admins reserve the right to turn off commenting temporarily or permanently if conversations become hostile and unproductive.
2. We have zero-tolerance for discrimination of any kind. This includes, but is not limited to, discrimination based on age, sex, gender, religion, race, nationality, and sexual orientation.

Posting Policies:

1. Any Chinese adoptee member of the group may post, comment, and like, given that their activity is in accordance with our community guidelines.
2. Most promotional-based posts are NOT allowed, however, please see [here](#) for our detailed promotional policy.
3. Discussions in CCI should be kept strictly confidential.
 - a. We expect members to respect the privacy of other members and to keep any discussions from the group confidential. That means no comments, screenshots, or posts should be shared outside the group (which includes sharing wording or details of posts enough to track down the original post), unless you are able to obtain EXPRESS WRITTEN PERMISSION from EVERY MEMBER that the post involves. In other words, if you are looking to share a thread of comments, you need the written permission of EVERYONE who commented in that thread.
 - b. Similarly, no outside screenshots of other groups should be shared without the original poster's express permission. We also expect members to adhere to and



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respect the confidentiality policies of other groups. It is YOUR responsibility to be aware of and follow the policies of groups that you are a part of. If, however, it is brought to our attention that a post is in violation of another group's confidentiality policy *and* we agree that a violation has taken place, we will shut down and remove the post.

- c. Members may NOT datamine the group for research or other projects or use any conversations or information gained in the group or in any CCI events for research or other projects under any circumstances. What is said in the group stays in the group and may NOT be used without express prior written consent. Posts on mature or controversial topics are accepted, as we do see the value in talking about difficult questions, however, we ask that you use your discretion to tag your post with a Trigger Warning. (A Trigger Warning is a note at the top of the post that warns readers of sensitive topics that have a high probability of upsetting people.)
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 - a. If one of our members finds your post upsetting, we may reach out to you to ask you to add a trigger warning to your post.
5. Please keep swearing and crude language to a minimum. Keep in mind that we do have younger members in the group. Everyone is welcome here.
6. Do not post or repost mis-information. We urge our members to critically interrogate the sources from which they are receiving their news.
7. Please move posts searching for crib-mates or biological relatives to our CCI Birth Parent Search and Reunion Group
[\[https://www.facebook.com/groups/ccibirthparentsearchandreunion/\]](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ccibirthparentsearchandreunion/).
8. If you have posted a number of weeks ago but have still yet to hear back, we may have sent you a message. Please see [Important Note](#) for more information.
9. By posting in our group, you are agreeing to adhere to our community guidelines below.
We reserve the right to delete posts and comments and remove members without notice if we deem them to be in violation of our community guidelines. We also reserve the right to alter these guidelines at any time and without notice. If you believe someone or some post is in violation of our community guidelines, please don't hesitate to let us know.



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Removal Policy:

1. After your first minor infraction of any of the above guidelines, we will remove your post and ask you to review and follow our policies.
2. After a second minor infraction, we will remove you from the group for one month.
3. You may come back after one month, but any infraction that you incur after you return will result in being removed and blocked by the group.
4. For serious infractions, especially the CCI Board retains the right to remove and block members without prior notice.
5. Infractions are counted cumulatively for violations made across ANY CCI owned Facebook platform. Removal will be from ALL CCI owned Facebook platforms and programs.

Disclaimer:

1. While CCI does its best to maintain a safe Facebook environment, it is the individual member's responsibility to practice appropriate internet safety, especially in "friending" people one has never met in person. Remember that people you "friend" can have access to your personal information.
2. Physical SAFETY is important. We acknowledge our members would like potentially meet others in person, however as an organization, we want to be sure people are aware of the risks of meeting people you have met online, and to use their internet smarts before making any decisions. **CCI cannot be liable for any harm incurred by participating in events or meet-ups that are not CCI sponsored.** This is especially true for these groups that encourage in person meet-ups. Be sure to use discretion when deciding whether to participate in certain events. **This is especially true for these groups that encourage in person meet-ups. Be sure to use discretion when deciding whether to participate in certain events.**
3. Asking the community for advice is welcomed, but please remember that we are not professionals and all advice is to be followed at your own risk. CCI cannot be held liable for any harm incurred by accepting advice from any of our members.
4. The nature of some of the topics discussed may be more appropriate to mature individuals and adoptees who are comfortable talking about certain subjects.
5. We reserve the right to change and adjust these policies at any time and without notice. Please check back often for the latest policies.

Thank you very much for your support and understanding! If you have any concerns or questions about our policies or feel that someone is in violation of these regulations, please email us at chinachildreninternational@gmail.com. We always want to hear from you.

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