Canadian Surrogacy Checklist

A step-by-step guide for intended parents planning a surrogacy journey in Canada.

1. Confirm Eligibility

Ensure both intended parents and surrogate meet legal and medical requirements under Canadian law. Canadian surrogacy must be altruistic, and all participants must be residents or legally allowed to participate.

2. Choose a Licensed Agency

Work with a reputable surrogacy agency like Surrogacy4All that follows Health Canada guidelines, assisting you through matching, legal, and medical steps.

3. Medical Screening

Both intended parents and the surrogate must undergo thorough medical evaluations and fertility testing to ensure compatibility and health readiness.

4. Legal Consultation

Hire a Canadian surrogacy lawyer to draft and review legal contracts that define parental rights, responsibilities, and expenses.

5. Match With a Surrogate

Your agency will help you find a surrogate who aligns with your values, health standards, and family expectations.

6. Psychological Evaluation

A psychological assessment for all parties ensures everyone understands emotional, ethical, and practical aspects of the journey.

7. Create a Surrogacy Agreement

Draft and sign a legal agreement outlining each party's rights, expectations, and reimbursement terms (for expenses only, as payment is not allowed).

8. IVF and Embryo Transfer

The intended parents' embryos are created via IVF and transferred to the surrogate under medical supervision.

9. Pregnancy Monitoring

Regular medical checkups, updates, and emotional support for the surrogate ensure a safe and healthy pregnancy.

10. Birth Planning

Coordinate with hospitals and legal teams to ensure a smooth delivery process and proper parental recognition after birth.

11. Post-Birth Legal Steps

After delivery, your lawyer will help complete parental declarations or adoption paperwork required by Canadian provinces.

12. Emotional and Aftercare Support

Provide ongoing emotional and mental health support for both the surrogate and intended parents after birth.

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