

Dr. Sharen Ford

Sharen Ford, Ph.D., is a nationally-recognized child welfare consultant and the retired Manager for Permanency Services for the Colorado Department of Human Services in the Division of Child Welfare Services. She retires with 30 years of comprehensive work history with the department. She oversaw six programmatic areas including the Foster Care and Adoption Program and supervised a team of professional staff.

Dr. Ford is the former President of the National Association of State Adoption Programs (NASAP) and the Association of Administrators for the Interstate Compact on Adoption Medical Assistance (AAICAMA). Her outstanding work has earned her the Angels in Adoption "Paul Singer Award" (2012) from the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute, Adoption Activist Award (2011) from the North American Council on Adoptable Children and the Adoption Excellence Award (2009) for "Individual Contributions" to the field from federal Department of Health and Human Services.

She currently serves as the Adoption Consultant for Focus on the Family and is as committed as ever to raising awareness regarding the need for every child to have a permanent family. She is married to Roy, is a mom to Jennifer, and a grandmother to Ezran.