



Abstract

This study aims to explore the challenges that the Same-sex couples experience during the adoption of the child and also to identify the solutions used by the same-sex couples to face these difficulties. Qualitative case study research was utilized to investigate the challenges and solutions used by the same-sex couples in adopting a child. It allows the participants to talk in some depth, by choosing their own words. Moreover, it helps the researchers to develop more a real sense of a person's thought to a situation. Five same-sex couples who become parents through adopting a child. (3 gays; 1 lesbian; 1 Bisexual) participants were age 30-42. Using Face to face interview as a means for data gathering, a thematic analysis was done wherein themes were formed based on the obtained answers of the respondents. Overall results showed superordinate themes focusing on the challenges of the same-sex couples, which is (1) the challenges of processing the legal papers in adopting the child. Meanwhile, for the solutions they use, one superordinate theme was formulated, namely (1) Self-resilience. This study recommend that community should treat same-sex couples and individuals equally during the foster and adoptive certification process.

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