









How to Register an Out-of-Hospital Birth



Please call <u>408-885-2010</u> for an appointment to register your baby's birth.

When a birth occurs outside a hospital, the physician or midwife who attended the birth – or in the absence of a physician or midwife, the parents – must register the birth.

This packet contains an important worksheet which the physician, midwife, or parents must complete and take to their local health department within 10 days of the birth. This worksheet and affidavit will be used to register the baby's birth.

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Dear Parents:

Congratulations to you and your newborn baby!

We want to help you register your baby's birth and get a birth certificate. We are offering this help because you did not give birth in a hospital – where hospital staff would have registered the birth. If a physician or certified nurse midwife / licensed midwife attended the birth, he or she may help you complete the enclosed worksheet.

Please read this pamphlet very carefully. It will walk you through the process of registering your baby's birth.

This pamphlet includes a worksheet that must be completed and taken to your local health department within 10 days of the birth.

> *Chief Deputy Registrar Vital Records*

Dear Physician or Midwife:

We understand you recently attended the birth of a child outside of a hospital. Health and Safety Code Section 102415 requires that you register the birth of this child with the local health department.

This pamphlet provides instructions on how to register the birth. It also contains an important worksheet that *must* be completed to register the birth.

- 1. Please read the pamphlet carefully, complete the Worksheet for Out-of-Hospital Births, the Affidavit of Birth Information for Out-of-Hospital Births, and gather the necessary documents related to the birth.
- 2. Call our office to schedule an appointment to register the birth (the phone number is on the cover of this pamphlet).
- 3. Share the worksheet with the parent(s) of the child prior to the registration appointment so they can help in gathering worksheet information.
- 4. Please advise the parents that they need to visit this office to sign the birth certificate. Although we suggest that the parents sign the certificate at the time of the appointment, a separate appointment can be made to accommodate their schedule.

## The birth will not be registered until all signatures are in place.

By law, the birth certificate must be registered *within 10 days of the birth* (Health and Safety Code Section 102400).

The following page provides options available for registering the birth.

Thank you for your time and help in registering the birth of this child.

Chief Deputy Registrar Vital Records Physicians and Midwives: Following are different options that are available for registering the birth of the child:

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You want your signature and typed name and title on the birth certificate	1. Fill out the Worksheet for Out-of-Hospital Births and Affidavit of Birth Information for Out-of-Hospital Births (attached) and bring them to your appointment.
	2. Call our office to schedule an appointment to come in and complete your portion of the certificate.
	3. Inform the parents that they need to come to our office to sign the certificate. They can come in at the same time as you, or a separate appointment can be made to accommodate their schedule.
You want your typed name and title on the birth certificate	<ol> <li>Fill out the Worksheet for Out-of-Hospital Births and Affidavit of Birth Information for Out-of-Hospital Births (attached) and give them to the parents.</li> </ol>
(But your signature will	2. Refer the parents to the instructions in this pamphlet.
not be included)	<ol> <li>Instruct the parents to bring your signed Affidavit and other evidence to prove the five facts listed below to our office to register the birth:</li> </ol>
	<ul> <li>a. Identity of parent(s)</li> <li>b. Pregnancy of the mother</li> <li>c. Baby was born alive</li> <li>d. Birth occurred in the county where the birth certificate is to be registered</li> <li>e. Identity of the witness</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> The signed Affidavit from a physician or midwife is sufficient evidence to prove b, d, and e, but the parents will still need to provide evidence for facts a and c.
	4. Upon review and acceptance of the Affidavit, the clerk will type your name and title on the birth certificate (item 13D). However, the signature box (item 13A) will state "Unavailable."
You do not want your	1. Refer the parents to the instructions in this pamphlet.
signature or typed name and title on the birth certificate	2. Inform the parents that without a signature from a physician or midwife on the birth certificate, they will need to provide evidence of the five facts listed above.

## **Questions Frequently Asked by Parents**

Why do I need to register my baby's birth?	You need to register your baby's birth to comply with state law. Registering the birth is the only way to create a permanent legal record of the birth. For babies not born in a hospital, California law requires the physician or midwife who attended the birth – or in the absence of a physician or midwife, either one of the parents – to register the birth of a baby born in California (Health and Safety Code Section 102415).				
	You also need to register the birth to obtain an official birth certificate. During your child's life, he or she will need an official birth certificate (certified copy) to:				
	<ul> <li>Obtain a Social Security Number</li> <li>Enroll in School</li> <li>Register to Participate in Sports</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Apply for a Driver's License</li> <li>Travel or Obtain a Passport</li> <li>Apply for Various Benefits (Social Security, Military)</li> </ul>			
	Birth certificates are also valuab	le to establish:			
	<ul><li> Proof of Parentage</li><li> Identity</li></ul>	<ul><li>Inheritance Rights</li><li>Citizenship</li></ul>			
	A certified copy of a birth cert birth. Certified copies are rec	ificate is a legal record of your child's ognized in any court.			
When should I register my baby's birth?		<i>birth of your baby within 10 days of</i> de Section 102400). There is no fee st year.			
	If you cannot meet the requirem you will have to apply to your loo	Vital Records as a Delayed 20 registration fee after the first year). ents for a Delayed Registration of Birth, cal Superior Court for a Court Order out-of-hospital births are harder to			
Who should register my baby's birth?	physician or midwife who attend physician or midwife, either one	elsewhere outside a hospital, the ed the birth – or in the absence of a of the parents – is responsible for al health department in the county where			

How can I make sure the certificate is completed correctly?	<i>Please review your baby's birth certificate for accuracy before</i> <i>signing it</i> . Never sign a blank birth certificate – the person completing it may make errors. Once the record has been registered, any corrections (such as misspellings or omissions) must be made through the State Office of Vital Records, and a fee may be charged. Amendments can take up to one year for the state office to process.
What if there is an error on the birth certificate? (Refer to attached flyer)	After your baby's birth certificate has been registered, the original certificate (with the exception of gender error) cannot be changed. Errors can only be corrected by filing an Affidavit to Amend a Record (VS 24), which is available from your local health department, or from the State Office of Vital Records.
	When accepted, the affidavit will be attached to the original certificate and will become part of the legal birth record (the birth certificate will become a two-page document – the original birth certificate, and the affidavit). The original certificate is not changed.
	If there is a gender error on the birth certificate, contact your local health department for instructions on how to correct the error.
What if part (or all) of my baby's name was left off the birth certificate?	After your baby's birth certificate has been registered, the original certificate cannot be changed. If part (or all) of the baby's name was left off the birth certificate, and you want to add the baby's name, you must complete either a Supplemental Name Report – Birth (VS 107), or an Affidavit to Amend a Record (VS 24). These forms are available from your local health department, or from the State Office of Vital Records.
	When accepted, the application or affidavit will be attached to the original certificate and will become part of the legal birth record (the birth certificate will become a two-page document). The original certificate is not changed.
	<b>Note:</b> If you want to change your child's name after the birth has been registered, you may need to obtain a court order.
	For amendments made within one year of the child's birth, there is no processing fee. For amendments made one year or more after the child's birth, there is a \$20 processing fee.

How can I get a certified copy of the birth certificate?	You will not automatically receive a copy of your baby's birth certificate. Once the birth is registered, you can request a certified copy of the birth certificate from the Local Health Department or County Recorder in the county where your child was born, or from the State Office of Vital Records. A fee is charged for each certified copy requested.			
How can I get a Social Security number for my child?	You can get a Social Security number for your child by contacting the nearest Social Security office. There is <i>never</i> a charge for a Social Security number and card from the Social Security Administration. For more information about Social Security, contact your nearest Social Security office or call (800) 772-1213 (toll-free). This phone number will provide you with prerecorded information at any time – attendants are available only from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time) on any business day. You can also access Social Security's website at: <u>www.socialsecurity.gov</u> .			
Who collects the information on the birth certificate?	The information you enter on the enclosed worksheet will be transferred to the Certificate of Live Birth (VS 10D) and collected by the California Department of Public Health, Office of Vital Records. This information is required by Division 102 of the Health and Safety Code.			
Am I required to complete every part of the worksheet?	You must complete each field of information on the Worksheet for Out-of-Hospital Births, except for the fields between the double bold lines in the center of the front page. We ask that you provide this optional information as well, so that the records are complete – but you are not required to do so. The information marked "medical data" will not be transcribed onto the actual hard copy of the birth certificate. This information will also not be disclosed or available to anyone except to the California Department of Public Health and the federal government and will be used for demographic and statistical analysis only without any personal identifying information. (Health and Safety Code Section 102426.)			
	The voluntary fields, which apply to information for both the mother and father, are:			
	<ul> <li>Race and Ethnicity</li> <li>Education</li> <li>Usual Kind of Business or Industry</li> <li>Usual Kind of Business or Industry</li> <li>Usual Kind of Business or Industry</li> <li>Usual Cocupation</li> <li>Social Security Numbers</li> <li>Date Last Worked</li> </ul>			
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Am I required to complete every part of the worksheet?	For births not attended by a physician or midwife, there are also three voluntary fields (see asterisks on the worksheet) which apply to medical data:
(Continued)	<ul> <li>Complications and procedures of pregnancy and concurrent illnesses</li> <li>Complications and procedures of labor and delivery, and</li> <li>Abnormal conditions and clinical procedures related to the newborn</li> <li>These three fields are required for physician- or midwife-attended births. They are, however, voluntary if the parents are registering the birth.</li> </ul>
What is the information on the birth certificate used for?	The California Department of Public Health collects birth information for conducting research relating to the health status of California's population.

## Instructions for Registering the Birth

Action required before appointment with local health department

## Complete the enclosed "Worksheet for Out-of-Hospital Births" before your appointment with the local health department.

The enclosed worksheet will be used to register the baby's birth and prepare the birth certificate. Fill out the worksheet accurately with facts as of the day the baby was born. We prefer that all items be completed or accounted for, including the public health data portion of the worksheet.

If the birth was attended by a physician or midwife, he or she should complete form VS 10A (attached), which provides supplemental medical information.

Contact our office if you have any questions regarding registering your baby's birth.

### Declaration of Paternity

If the mother and father are not married to each other, the father's name cannot be listed on the birth certificate unless both the mother and father sign a voluntary Declaration of Paternity (CS 909) before the birth certificate is prepared.

Call the Department of Child Support Services (1-866-249-0773) or your local health department if you have any questions or need to obtain forms.



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# This section applies only if a physician or midwife was not in attendance at the birth, and the parents are registering the birth.

Please bring to your appointment evidence to prove five facts:

- 1. Identity of the parent(s)
- 2. Pregnancy of the mother
- 3. Baby was born alive
- 4. Birth occurred in California
- 5. Identity of the witness

Additional information about these five items is provided below.

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## Evidence required

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## **Identity of the Parents**

A valid picture identification card issued to the parents by a government agency must be provided to prove identity. Following are some recommended documents that can be used (only the original or a *certified* copy is acceptable):

- A driver's license or identification card issued by a United States (U.S.) Department of Motor Vehicles Office.
- U.S. passport.
- U.S. military identification card.
- Temporary resident identification card (green card).
- Other valid picture identification card issued by a foreign government. (If the parents gave birth in California but are not here legally, they may be able to get identification verification from their consulate.)

## Pregnancy of the Mother

To prove the pregnancy of the mother, provide a pregnancy test verification form or a letter that meets *all* of the following conditions:

- From a doctor, midwife, or clinic.
- Written on the doctor's, midwife's, or clinic's official stationery (not on a prescription pad).
- Signed (not stamped) by the doctor, midwife, or clinic representative or nurse.
- Contains the current issued professional license number of the physician or midwife who signed the letter.

The letter must include *all* of the following information:

- The mother's name.
- The date the mother was first seen by the doctor or midwife (this date may be after the date of birth).
- The results of the mother's prenatal or postpartum exams or pregnancy tests.

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# Evidence required

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- The date of the mother's last menstrual period.
- The date the baby was born, or was expected to be born (due date).

## Baby was Born Alive

- Bring the baby to the appointment.
- The appointment will not be conducted if the baby is not present.

## **Birth Occurred in California**

We need information showing that the mother was in California on the date that the birth occurred. Documentation to confirm the mother's presence in California on the date the birth occurred may include any of the following:

- If the birth occurred at the mother's residence, provide an electric power, natural gas, or water bill for the period when the birth occurred. The copy of the bill (or statement from the company) must include the name of the utility company, the address of the residence where the birth occurred, and the name of the mother or father (if he is listed on the birth certificate).
- An affidavit from someone who was with the mother at the time of the baby's birth. The affidavit must contain the address of the person with the mother, and the location of the birth.
- A current rent receipt or other similar document that shows the mother's name and current address.
- A statement from a state or local government agency that requires proof of residency in California that the mother was receiving services on the date of the baby's birth (e.g., WIC or Medi-Cal).

## **Identity of the Witness**

If a physician or midwife did not attend the birth, and if a witness did attend, *the witness should accompany you to the appointment*. A witness may include any of the following:

- Husband or other family member.
- Friend.

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Evidence required (Continued)	<ul> <li>Paramedic or fire department staff.</li> <li>If a paramedic or fire department staff was present at the birth, you can get a copy of the official report stating the treatment or service they provided (there may be a fee for the report). The staff does not have to be present at the appointment, nor do you have to bring a copy of their identification.</li> <li>If the paramedic arrived after the baby's birth, bring a copy of the 911 call or an official report of the contents of the 911 call, along with a copy of the paramedic's report.</li> <li>If the paramedic cut the cord, or was present when the cord was cut, the report should so state.</li> <li>If the paramedic delivered the placenta, the report should</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>so state.</li> <li>Valid ID for Witness: A valid picture identification card issued to the witness by a government agency must be provided to prove identity. Following are some recommended documents that can be used (only the original or a <i>certified</i> copy is acceptable):</li> <li>A driver's license or identification card issued by a United States (U.S.) Department of Motor Vehicles Office.</li> <li>U.S. passport.</li> <li>U.S. military identification card.</li> <li>Temporary resident identification card (green card).</li> <li>Other valid picture identification card issued by a foreign government. (If the witness is not in California legally, he or she</li> </ul>
Verification	The local health department may verify the accuracy of all information provided to register an out-of-hospital birth.
Registrar's right to refuse to register birth	If the requirements of Health and Safety Code Section 102415 and of the enclosed registration packet or other bona fide evidence are not presented to the registrar, then the registrar must refuse to register the birth certificate. In these cases, the birth certificate may be registered only by authority of a Superior Court. (Health and Safety Code Section 103450.)

Valid ID for physician / midwife The physician or midwife must provide written documentation of their identity at the time they sign the birth certificate.

A valid picture identification card issued by a government agency must be provided to prove identity. Following are some recommended documents that can be used (only the original or a *certified* copy is acceptable):

- A driver's license or identification card issued by a United States (U.S.) Department of Motor Vehicles Office.
- U.S. passport.
- U.S. military identification card.

The physician or midwife *must* also provide their professional license number for verification purposes.

## Worksheet for Out-of-Hospital Births

## Please Bring This Completed Form to Register Your Child's Out-of-Hospital Birth

Child's Information	First Name   Middle		Middle		Last		
mormation	Sex		This Birth Sp	This Birth         Specify 1=Single, 2=Twin, 3=Triplet, Etc.			
	Date of Birth		Time of Birth	Time of Birth			1.
	Place of Birth		Street Address	Street Address			
	City		County			Zip	
Father/ Parent's	First Name		Middle		Last (Birth)		
Information	State of Birth		Date of Birth				
Mother/ Parent's	First Name		Middle		Last (Birth)		
Information	State of Birth		Date of Birth		1		
The	Following is Confiden	tial Informat	ion and Will bo	Used for I	Dublia Ugalth 1	Durnasas	Only
Father/	Race (list up to 3)			□ No		Date Last	-
Parent's						Dute Lust	W OIKCU
Information	See Attached Race/Ethnicit	-	Specify:				
	Usual Occupation	Usual Kind of E	Business or Industry	Education –	Years Completed	Social Sec	urity Number
Mother/	Race (list up to 3)		Hispanic: 🗆 Yes	□ No		Date Last	Worked
Parent's Information							
mom	See Attached Race/Ethnicit	-	Specify:	1			
	Usual Occupation	Usual Kind of E	Business or Industry	Education –	Years Completed	Social Sec	urity Number
	Residence – Street Name an	d Number		County			
							1
	City			State			Zip
	Mailing Address – If Different From Residence Ad Street Name and Number or P.O. Box		e Address	County			
	City			State/Foreigr	n County		Zip

## Worksheet for Out-of-Hospital Births (Continued)

Medical	Following is Confidential Information and Will be Used for Public Health Purposes Only         Did Mother Receive WIC (Womens, Infants & Children) Food While Pregant?						
Data							
	Average Number of Cigarettes/Packs Per Day First Three Months Prior to Pregnancy			Average Number of Cigarettes/Packs Per Day First Trimester			
	Average Number of Cigarettes/Packs Per Day Second Trimester			Average Number of Cigarettes/Packs Per Day Third Trimester			
	Prepregnancy Weight in Pounds Delivery Weight in Pounds		Height Feet		Height Inches		
	APGAR Score at 1 Minute (00-10, Unknown, or Not Taken)	APGAR Score at 5 Minutes (00-10, Unknown, or Not Taken)	APGAR Score at 10 Minutes (00-10, Unknown, or Not Taken)		Date Last Normal Menses Began		
	Date First Prenatal Care Visit	Month Prenatal Care Began	Date Last Prenatal Care Visit		Number of Prenatal Visits		
	Obstetric Estimate of Gestation at Delivery (Completed Weeks)			Hearing Screening: (Pass (Both Ears); Refer (One Ear); Refer (Both Ears); Results Pending; Waived; Not Medically Indicated; Test Not Available)			
	Live Births (Do not count this ch		RY (Complete Each Section)         Other Terminations (Exclude induced abortions)				
	Now Living N	Now Dead	Before 20 Weeks		After 20 Weeks		
	Date of Last Live Birth			Last Other Termination	1 1		
Enter Appropriate Codes From Worksheets	Principal Source of Payment for Prenatal Care				(See attached VS 10A worksheet)		
	Principal Source of Payment for Delivery       * Complications and Procedu worksheet)         Enter 00 for N			gnancy and Concurrent	Illnesses (See attached VS 10A		
				Abnormal Conditions and Clinical Procedures Related to the Newborn (See attached VS 10A worksheet) Enter 00 for NONE			
	* The attending physician or mid	wife shall complete these three fi or non-physician- or non-midwif			tended out-of-hospital births.		

## Affidavit of Birth Information for Out-of-Hospital Births

## This Affidavit is to be Completed at the Local Health Office

I swear or affirm that the information stated is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I certify that the child named herein was born alive to the stated mother at the place, date, and time shown on this worksheet.

This worksheet was completed with the understanding that the facts so stated herein afford a full, complete, and truthful representation of facts and what my testimony shall be should I be asked or directed to testify to the facts herein in a court of law. I realize that any false statement of facts or information made herein could subject me to the risk of criminal liability, including, but not limited to, prosecution for perjury.

Parent Verification	Printed Name		Written Signature ►		
	Relationship to Child D Mother/Parent Father/Parent		Date Signed		Phone Number ( )
Witness Verification	Printed Name		Written Signature ►		
	Address – Street Name and N	umber			County
	City			State	Zip
	Relationship to Child		Date Signed		Phone Number ( )
Attendant Verification	Printed Name			Written Signature ►	
(Physician,	Address – Street Name and Number				County
Certified Nurse- Midwife, or	City			State	Zip
Licensed Midwife)	State License Number		Date Signed		Phone Number ( )
Local     Printed Name       Registration     Printed Name			Written Signature ►		
District Staff Verification	Date Signed		egistered	□ Denied	Inventory Control Number

### **Privacy Notification**

The information entered on the worksheet will be transferred to the Certificate of Live Birth (VS 10D) and will be collected by the State of California, Department of Public Health, Office of Vital Records, 1501 Capitol Avenue, M.S. 5103, P.O. Box 997410, Sacramento, CA 95899-7410, telephone number (916) 445-2684. This information is required by Division 102 of the Health and Safety Code. Every element on the worksheet is mandatory, except the items between the double bold lines on the first page of the worksheet. Failure to comply by every person, except a parent informant, is a misdemeanor. The Certificate of Live Birth is open to public access except where prohibited by statute. The principal purposes of this record are to: 1) Establish a legal record of each vital event, 2) Provide certified copies for personal use, 3) Furnish information for demographic and epidemiological studies, and 4) Supply data to the National Center for Health Statistics for federal reports. The father's and the mother's Social Security numbers are included pursuant to Section 102425 (b) (14) of the Health and Safety Code, and may be used for child support enforcement purposes.

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency

CERTIFICATES OF LIVE BIRTH AND FETAL DEATH MEDICAL DATA SUPPLEMENTAL WORKSHEET

Use the codes on this Worksheet to report the approp	
Certificate of Live Birth" and for items 29D and 32B t         Item 25D. (Birth)       PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF PA	through 35 on the "Certificate of Fetal Death." AYMENT FOR PRENATAL CARE
tem 29D. (Fetal Death) (Enter only 1 code)	
2 Medi-Cal, without CPSP Support Services	07 Private Insurance Company 99 Unknown
3 Medi-Cal, with CPSP Support Services	09 Self Pay 00 No Prenatal Care
5 Other Government Programs (Federal, State, Local)	14 Other
Item 28A. (Birth) METHOD OF DELIVERY	
	der each section, separated by commas: A,B,C,D,E,F)
01 Cesarean—primary	B. If mother had a previous Cesarean—How many? (Enter 0 – 9, or U if Unknown)
11 Cesarean—primary, with trial of labor attempted	C. Fetal presentation at birth
21 Cesarean—primary, with vacuum	20 Conhalic fotal presentation at delivery
31 Cesarean—primary, with vacuum & trial of labor attempted 02 Cesarean—repeat	30 Breech fetal presentation at delivery
12 Cesarean—repeat, with trial of labor attempted	40 Other fetal presentation at delivery
22 Cesarean—repeat, with vacuum	90 Unknown
32 Cesarean—repeat, with vacuum & trial of labor attempted	D. Was vaginal delivery with forceps attempted, but unsuccessful
03 Vaginal—spontaneous	50 Yes 58 No 59 Unknown
04 Vaginal—spontaneous, after previous Cesarean 05 Vaginal—forceps	E. Was vaginal delivery with vacuum attempted, but unsuccessful
15 Vaginal—forceps, after previous Cesarean	60 Yes 68 No 69 Unknown
06 Vaginal—vacuum	F. Hysterotomy/Hysterectomy (Fetal Death Only)
16 Vaginal—vacuum, after previous Cesarean	70 Yes 78 No
88 Not Delivered (Fetal Death Only)	
	IRCE OF PAYMENT FOR DELIVERY
Item 32B (Fetal Death) (Enter only 1 code)	
	ent Programs (Federal, State, Local) 14 Other ce 99 Unknown
5 Indian Health Service 07 Private Insurance	
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#### CERTIFICATES OF LIVE BIRTH AND FETAL DEATH—MEDICAL DATA SUPPLEMENTAL WORKSHEET (Continued)

#### Item 30 (Birth) COMPLICATIONS AND PROCEDURES OF LABOR AND DELIVERY

Item 34 (Fetal Death) (Enter up to 9 codes, separated by commas, for the most important complications/procedures.)

#### **ONSET OF LABOR**

- 10 Premature rupture of membranes ( $\geq$  12 hours)
- 07 Precipitous labor (< 3 hours)
- 08 Prolonged labor ( $\geq$  20 hours)

#### CHARACTERISTICS OF LABOR AND DELIVERY

- 11 Induction of labor
- 12 Augmentation of labor
- 32 Non-vertex presentation
- 33 Steroids (glucocorticoids) for fetal lung maturation received by the mother prior to delivery
- 34 Antibiotics received by the mother during labor
- 35 Clinical chorioamnionitis diagnosed during labor or maternal temperature  $\geq 38^{\circ}C(100.4^{\circ}F)$
- 19 Moderate/heavy meconium staining of the amniotic fluid
- 36 Fetal intolerance of labor such that one or more of the following actions was taken: in-utero resuscitative measures, further fetal assessment, or operative delivery
- 37 Epidural or spinal anesthesia during labor
- 25 Mother transferred for delivery from another facility for maternal medical or fetal indications

#### COMPLICATIONS OF PLACENTA, CORD, AND MEMBRANES

- 38 Rupture of membranes prior to onset of labor
- 13 Abruptio placenta
- 39 Placental insufficiency
- 20 Prolapsed cord
- 17 Chorioamnionitis

#### MATERNAL MORBIDITY

- 24 Maternal blood transfusion
- 40 Third or fourth degree perineal laceration
- 41 Ruptured uterus
- 42 Unplanned hysterectomy
- 43 Admission to ICU
- 44 Unplanned operating room procedure following delivery

#### NONE OR OTHER COMPLICATIONS/PROCEDURES NOT LISTED

- 00 None
- 31 Other Labor/Delivery Complications/Procedures not Listed

#### ABNORMAL CONDITIONS AND CLINICAL PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE NEWBORN Item 31 (Birth) ABNORMAL CONDITIONS AND CLINICAL PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE FETUS Item 35 (Fetal Death) (Enter up to 10 codes, separated by commas, for the most important conditions/procedures.)

#### **CONGENITAL ANOMALIES (NEWBORN OR FETUS)**

- 01 Anencephalv
- Meningomyelocele/Spina bifida 02
- 76 Cyanotic congenital heart disease
- 77 Congenital diaphragmatic hernia
- 78 Omphalocele
- 79 Gastroschisis
- 80 Limb reduction defect (excluding congenital amputation and dwarfing syndromes)
- Cleft palate alone 28
- 29 Cleft lip alone
- 30 Cleft palate with cleft lip
- 57 Down's Syndrome-Karyotype confirmed
- 81 Down's Syndrome-Karyotype pending
- 82 Suspected chromosomal disorder—Karyotype confirmed
- 83 Suspected chromosomal disorder—Karyotype pending
- 35 Hypospadias
- 88 Aortic stenosis
- 89 Pulmonary stenosis
- 90 Atresia
- 62 Additional and unspecified congenital anomalies not listed above

Significant birth injury (skeletal fracture(s), peripheral nerve injury, and/or soft tissue/solid organ hemorrhage which requires intervention)

#### ADDITIONAL ABNORMAL CONDITIONS/PROCEDURES (NEWBORN ONLY)

- Assisted ventilation required immediately following delivery 71
- 85 Assisted ventilation required for more than 6 hours
- 73 NICU admission
- Newborn given surfactant replacement therapy 86
- 87 Antibiotics received by the newborn for suspected neonatal sepsis
- 70 Seizure or serious neurological dysfunction
- 74 Newborn transferred to another facility within 24 hours of deliverv

#### NONE OR OTHER ABNORMAL CONDITIONS/PROCEDURES NOT LISTED

- 00 None (Newborn or Fetus)
- 75 Other Conditions/Procedures not Listed (Newborn Only)
- 67 Other Conditions/Procedures not Listed (Fetal Death Only)

**ABNORMAL CONDITIONS (NEWBORN OR FETUS)** 66

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RACE/ETHNICITY AND EDUCATION WORKSHEET (For Reference Only)				
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# Birthweight Conversion Table

Converting Pounds and Ounces to Grams																	
OUNCES																	
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
P O U	0 1 2 3 4 5	454 907 1361 1814 2268	28 482 936 1389 1843 2296	57 510 964 1418 1871 2325	85 539 992 1446 1899 2353	113 567 1021 1474 1928 2381	142 595 1049 1503 1956 2410	170 624 1077 1531 1985 2438	198 652 1106 1559 2013 2466	227 680 1134 1588 2041 2495	255 709 1162 1616 2070 2523	284 737 1191 1644 2098 2552	312 765 1219 1673 2126 2580	340 794 1247 1701 2155 2608	369 822 1276 1729 2183 2637	397 851 1304 1758 2211 2665	425 879 1332 1786 2240 2693
N	6 7	2722 3175	2750 3204	2778 3232	2807 3260	2835 3289	2863 3317	2892 3345	2920 3374	2948 3402	2977 3430	3005 3459	3033 3487	3062 3515	3090 3544	3119 3572	3147 3600
D	8 9 10	3629 4082 4536	3657 4111 4564	3686 4139 4593	3714 4167 4621	3742 4196 4649	3771 4224 4678	3799 4253 4706	3827 4281 4734	3856 4309 4763	3884 4338 4791	3912 4366 4820	3941 4394 4848	3969 4423 4876	3997 4451 4905	4026 4479 4933	4054 4508 4961
	11	4990	5018	5046	5075	5103	5131	5160	5188	5216	5245	5273	5301	5330	5358	5387	5415
	12	5443	5472	5500	5528	5557	5585	5613	5642	5670	5698	5727	5755	5783	5812	5840	5868
	13 14 15	5897 6350 6804	5925 6379 6832	5954 6407 6861	5982 6435 6889	6010 6464 6917	6039 6492 6946	6067 6521 6974	6095 6549 7002	6124 6577 7031	6152 6606 7059	6180 6634 7088	6209 6662 7116	6237 6691 7144	6265 6719 7173	6294 6747 7201	6322 6776 7229
	1 Ounce	e = 28.35	Grams			1 Pound	l = 453.6	0 Grams	EXAMPLE: 8 Pounds, 2 Ounces = 3,686 Grams								

(Out-of-Hospital Birth Registration)

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE

## From the State Office of Vital Records

### Birth Certificates Last Forever

### Please be Certain the Information on the Certificate is Accurate and Complete Before You Sign It

- A birth certificate is a legal document.
- An amendment form is required to make corrections to the birth certificate.
- The birth certificate will become a <u>two-page document</u> if an amendment is requested after the original has been processed.
- Many changes on the birth certificate <u>require the applicant to go to court</u> for a court order, including reversing the order of last names (surnames).
- Parents may have problems receiving benefits, traveling on an airline, or obtaining a
  passport or social security number for their child if the birth certificate is not true and
  correct.
- It can take up to one year to apply an amendment.

### Common mistakes that require amendments and/or court orders:

- Misspelled first, last, and middle names of child and/or parents
- Incorrect state, country, and/or birth date of parent(s)
- Reversed order of last (family) names
- Adding extra names to parent(s) or child later
- Incorrect gender (sex) of child
- Incorrect birth date

## Any errors on birth certificates cannot be corrected on the original certificate.

The **original** birth certificate **does not** change, but, in most cases, an amendment is attached to create a **2-page** document.

### Parents:

- ✓ Please review the information on the birth certificate carefully before you sign it.
- Your signature confirms that you have reviewed the information and that the facts are correct.

Amendment forms can be obtained at local health departments or county recorder's offices.

## LO QUE USTED NECESITA SABER ACERCA DEL CERTIFICADO de NACIMIENTO DE SU NIÑO

## De la Oficina del Estado de Registros Vitales

### Los Certificados del Nacimiento Duran Para Siempre Por Favor Revise la Información en el Certificado Sea Seguro Que la Información es Correcto y Completo Antes de Firmar

- Un certificado de nacimiento es un documento legal.
- Una forma de la enmienda se requiere para hacer las correcciónes al certificado de nacimiento.
- El certificado de nacimiento llegará a ser un <u>documento de dos páginas si</u> una enmienda se solicita después que la original sea procesado.
- Muchos cambios en el certificado de nacimiento requieren al solicitante ir a la corte, es necessario hacer un Cambio de Nombre por Orden de la Corte cuando uno cambia el orden de los nombres y apellidos o agregan mas nombres.
- Padres pueden tener problemas obteniendo beneficios, viajando en una linea aérea, obteniendo un pasaporte o el número del seguro social para su niño si el certificado de nacimiento no es verdad y correcto.
- Puede tomar hasta <u>un año</u> para aplicar una enmienda.

Los errores que requieren una enmienda o un Orden de la Corte:

- Nombres escrito incorrecto; el primero, segundo y apellido del niño o de los padres.
- El estado o pais o la fecha del nacimiento de los padres si esta incorrecto.
- Cambio de orden de los nombres y apellidos.
- Agregando mas nombres y apellidos a los nombres de los padres o del niño despues que la original sea procesado.
- El género (sexo) del niño incorrecto.
- La fecha de nacimiento del niño incorrecto.

## Cualquier errores en certificados de nacimiento no se puede corregir en el certificado original.

El certificado **original** de nacimiento **no cambia**, pero, en la mayoria de casos, una enmienda se conecta para crear un documento de **2 páginas**.

### Los Padres:

- Revisen por favor la información en el certificado del nacimiento con cuidado antes de firmar.
- ✓ Su firma confirma que usted ha revisado la información y que los hechos son correctos.

Las formas de la enmienda se pueden obtener en departamentos locales de salud o las oficinas de grabadora de condado.

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