

BIRTH REGISTRATION STATUTES

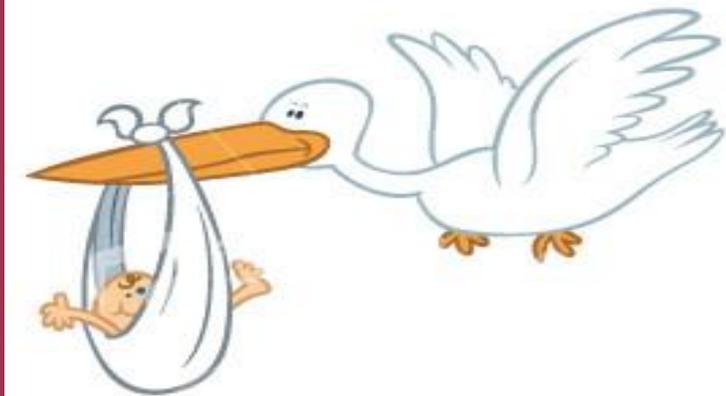
MRC Course

Vital Statistics Unit

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The Birth of Each Child Born In This State Shall
Be Registered.

HSC 192.001

WHO FILES?

- The physician, midwife, or person acting as a midwife in attendance at a birth shall file the birth certificate with the local registrar of the registration district in which the birth occurs. HSC 192.003 (a)

- Does this mean the person who delivers the baby then runs to the nearest computer & enters info into the TER System?

- Does the birth clerk sit down with the mother & enter the info into the computer?

WHO FILES?

- What if a birth does not occur in a hospital or birthing center?
- Who shall report the birth to the local registrar?

TIMEFRAME

- A person required to file a birth certificate or report a birth shall file the certificate or make the report not later than the **5th** day after the date of the birth. **HSC 192.003 (d)**
- Are there any exceptions to this statute?

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

- The section of the birth certificate entitled "For Medical and Health Use Only" is **NOT** part of the legal birth certificate. Information held by the department under that section of the certificate is **CONFIDENTIAL**. That information may not be released or made public on subpoena or otherwise, except that release may be made for statistical purposes only so that no person, patient, or facility is identified, or to medical personnel of a health care entity, as that term is defined in Subtitle B, Title 3, Occupations Code, or to a faculty member at a medical school, as that term is defined in Section [61.501](#), Education Code, for statistical or medical research, or to appropriate state or federal agencies for statistical research. HSC 192.002 (b)

FORMS/CONFIDENTIAL INFO

- The department shall prescribe the form and contents of the birth certificate.

HSC 192.002 (a)

- The form must include a space for recording the social security numbers of the mother and father and the signatures of the biological mother and biological father. These social security numbers and signatures are not a part of the legal birth certificate, shall be made available to the agency administering the state's plan under Part D of Title IV of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 651 et seq.), and **MAY NOT BE USED** or disseminated for any purpose other than the establishment and the enforcement of child support orders. HSC 192.002 (c)

DEFINITION OF LIVE BIRTH

- The complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, which, after such separation, breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as **beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles**, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached; each product of such a birth is considered live born.

TAC 181.1 Definitions (17)



STILLBIRTH BIRTH CERTIFICATE

- Stillbirth means an unintended, intrauterine fetal death occurring in this state after a gestational age of not less than 20 completed weeks. HSC 192.0022 (a) (1)
- The person who is required to file a fetal death certificate under Section 193.002 shall advise the parent or parents of a stillborn child:

That a parent may, but is not required to, request the preparation of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth;

That a parent may obtain a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth by contacting the Vital Statistics Unit to request the certificate and paying the required fee;

HSC 192.0022 (b) (c) (d)

STILLBIRTH BIRTH CERTIFICATE

VS-301 Form, which can be found on our website

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/vs/reqproc/forms.shtm>

- **Baby Boy or Baby Girl and the last name of the parent is ok.**
- **How does the local registrar file a stillbirth BC?**

NON-INSTITUTIONAL BIRTHS

The essential elements to register a non-institutional birth are:

- 1) Evidence of pregnancy;
- 2) Evidence that there was an infant born alive;
- 3) Evidence that the birth occurred in the registration district; and
- 4) Evidence that the infant's birth occurred on the date stated.

TAC Rule 181.26 (c)

SFN: LFN:

MOM MED REC: [] [] [] [ALL UNRESOLVED] []

General Birth Mother 1 Birth Mother 2 Father 1 Father 2 Medical 1 Medical 2 Certifier

Hello! This is a new design DESCRIPTION

Record Type? [] []
 Surrogate

Mother's Medical Record Number: []

Child's Information
Time of Birth: []

State File Number: []

Am/Pm: []

Child's Place of Birth
Name: []
Type: [] County: []
State: [] City: []

State File Date: []

Date of Birth: []

Date AOP Sent: []

Plurality: []

Birth Mother's Current Legal Name
Title Preference: [] First Name: [] Middle Name: [] Last Name: [] Suffix: []

Birth Order: []

Child's Current Legal Name
First Name: [] Middle Name: [] Last Name: [] Suffix: []

Of Infants Alive: []

Sex: []

Birth Mother's Address
Residence Address: [] Apt #: [] State/Foreign country/Terr: [] County: [] Zip: [] Ext: []
Mailing Address Same as Residence Address? [] City, Town or Location: [] Inside City Limits? []
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Electronic Registrar (WebBirth2005), LOCAL REGISTRAR TEST - SLACKEYLR - [Registration]

Functions Registration Edit Reports Queues Utilities Library Maintenance Window Help

SFN: LFN:

MOM MED REC: [] [] [] ALL UNRESOLVED []

General Mother 1 Mother 2 Father 1 Father 2 Medical 1 Medical 2 Certifier

Certifier (Registration)

Attendant/Certifier

Attendant: WRIGHT WILLIAM

Type: Other

Address: 822 WRIGHT LANE

State: TEXAS

City: AUSTIN

Zip: 78701

License number: 999

Is Certifier the Same as Attendant? NO

Certifier: []

Type: CAUDILLO LLUVIA
GOODMAN RHONDA
HOLMES ROBBIE
JONES JANE
RAULS RHONDA
(Add New)

Address: []

City: []

State: []

Zip: []

Principal Source Of Payment For This Delivery: []

Other (Specify): []

Mother's Medicaid/CHIP Name: []

Mother's Medicaid/CHIP Number: []

Infant's Medical Record Number: []

Primary Care Physician: []

Was the Mother Transferred to this Facility for Delivery? []

Specify Facility: []

Select the Certifier from the pull-down

Records In Queue:9 Certifier Blank-Unresolved Adding New Record CAPS NUM INS 5/5/2010

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Electronic Registrar (WebBirth2005), LOCAL REGISTRAR TEST - SLACKEYLR - [Electronic Certification]

Functions Certification Edit Reports Queues Utilities Library Maintenance Window Help

Check / Uncheck All

Certify Toggle	Child Date of Birth	Child Last Name	Child First Name	Child Middle Name	Mother Maiden Name	Mother First Name	Mother Middle Name	Birth Order
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5/5/2010	SMITH	JON		SMITH	MARY		SINGLE

Electronic Registrar (WebBirth2005), LOCAL REGISTRAR TEST - SLACKEYLR - [Electronic Certification]

Functions Certification Edit Reports Queues Utilities Library Maintenance Window Help

Check / Uncheck All

Process Load

Certify Toggle Saving record ...

Mother First Name	Mother Middle Name	Birth Order
MARY		SINGLE

Registration

? All Legal Fields Are Complete. Would You Like To Release Legally This Record?

Yes No

Electronic Registrar (WebBirth2005), LOCAL REGISTRAR TEST - SLACKEYLR - [Electronic Certification]

Functions Certification Edit Reports Queues Utilities Library Maintenance Window Help

Check / Uncheck All

Process Load

Certify Toggle Saving record ...

Mother First Name	Mother Middle Name	Birth Order
MARY		SINGLE

Registration

? All statistical fields are complete. Would you like to statistically release this record?

Yes No

EN ROUTE BIRTH

- If the mother is en route to the hospital when the child is born and the hospital is the first place where the child is removed from the conveyance, “en route” should be indicated within TER. The hospital should file the record.
- If the child was born at home, then picked up by a hospital ambulance, the birth record should be filed with the Local Registrar.

LICENSED INSTITUTIONAL BIRTHS

- The responsibilities of the person registering a birth at a licensed institution include:
 - Obtain information needed for completion of the birth certificate
 - Complete a certificate of birth for each live birth that occurs at the hospital or en route to the hospital
 - If the parents are not married to each other, provide the father with the opportunity to complete an AOP and the required oral and written notification of rights and responsibilities
 - Inform the parents that they may request an application for child support services by calling the OAG at 1-800-252-8014.
 - Review the certificate and AOP if applicable, for completeness and accuracy and fax into VSU at 1-888-561-3138
 - Obtain the appropriate parents signatures on the verification of birth facts

Birth Registration Handbook pg. 3

DIACRITICAL MARKS

The Vital Statistics Unit does not allow for “special characters” i.e characters with diacritical marks in TER. This is against VSU policy and it violates our compliance with federal standards.

FOUNDLINGS



- (a) A designated emergency infant care provider shall, without a court order, take possession of a child who appears to be 60 days old or younger if the child is voluntarily delivered to the provider by the child's parent and the parent did not express an intent to return for the child. **TFC Sec.262.302**

FOUNDLINGS CONTINUED

- (b) A designated emergency infant care provider who takes possession of a child under this section has no legal duty to detain or pursue the parent and may not do so unless the child appears to have been abused or neglected. The designated emergency infant care provider has no legal duty to ascertain the parent's identity and the parent may remain anonymous. However, the parent may be given a form for voluntary disclosure of the child's medical facts and history.
- (c) A designated emergency infant care provider who takes possession of a child under this section shall perform any act necessary to protect the physical health or safety of the child. The designated emergency infant care provider is not liable for damages related to the provider's taking possession of, examining, or treating the child, except for damages related to the provider's negligence.

GESTATIONAL AGREEMENTS-

- Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter or another law, the mother-child relationship exists between a woman and a child by an adjudication confirming the woman as a parent of the child born to a gestational mother under a gestational agreement if the gestational agreement is validated under this subchapter or enforceable under other law, regardless of the fact that the gestational mother gave birth to the child.
- The father-child relationship exists between a child and a man by an adjudication confirming the man as a parent of the child born to a gestational mother under a gestational agreement if the gestational agreement is validated under this subchapter or enforceable under other law.

TFC, Sec.160.753

GESTATIONAL AGREEMENTS

- (a) A prospective gestational mother, her husband if she is married, each donor, and each intended parent may enter into a written agreement providing that:
 - (1) the prospective gestational mother agrees to pregnancy by means of assisted reproduction;
 - (2) the prospective gestational mother, her husband if she is married, and each donor other than the intended parents, if applicable, relinquish all parental rights and duties with respect to a child conceived through assisted reproduction;
 - (3) the intended parents will be the parents of the child; and
 - (4) the gestational mother and each intended parent agree to exchange throughout the period covered by the agreement all relevant information regarding the health of the gestational mother and each intended parent.
- (b) The intended parents must be married to each other. Each intended parent must be a party to the gestational agreement.
- (c) The gestational agreement must require that the eggs used in the assisted reproduction procedure be retrieved from an intended parent or a donor. The gestational mother's eggs may not be used in the assisted reproduction procedure.
- (d) The gestational agreement must state that the physician who will perform the assisted reproduction procedure as provided by the agreement has informed the parties to the agreement of: TFC, Sec.160.754

DELAYED CERTIFICATION OF BIRTH

- (a) When a certificate of birth of a person born in this state has not been registered before the one-year anniversary of the date of birth, a delayed certificate of birth may be submitted in accordance with regulations of the Vital Statistics Unit. No delayed certificate of birth shall be registered until the evidentiary requirements as specified in regulation have been met.
- (b) A certificate of birth submitted under this section shall be marked "Delayed" and show the date of registration. The delayed certificate of birth shall contain a summary statement of the evidence submitted in support of the delayed registration. Probate records and delayed records may not be abstracted.
- (c) An application to file a delayed certificate of birth for a birth in this state not registered before the one-year anniversary of the date of birth shall be made to the State Registrar.
- (d) No delayed certificate of birth shall be registered for a deceased person.
- (e) When an applicant as defined by regulation does not submit the minimum documentation required in the regulations for delayed registration or when the State Registrar has cause to question the validity or adequacy of the applicant's (sworn, notarized, witnessed) statement or the documentary evidence, and if the deficiencies are not corrected, the State Registrar shall not register the delayed certificate of birth. The State Registrar shall advise the applicant of the reasons for this action, and shall further advise the applicant of his or her right to file a petition in the county probate court of the county in which the birth occurred for an order establishing a record of the person's date of birth, place of birth, and parentage.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PATERNITY

- If the mother of a child is not married to the father of the child, a person listed in section 192.003 who is responsible for filing the birth certificate shall:
 - (1) Provide an opportunity for the child's mother and putative father to sign an acknowledgment of paternity as provided by subchapter c, ch. 160, family code; and
 - (2) Provide oral and written information to the child's mother and putative father about:
 - (A) Establishing paternity, including an explanation of the rights and responsibilities that result from acknowledging paternity; and
 - (B) The availability of child support services.

A CERTIFIED ENTITY MUST:

- Give the parents the opportunity to sign an AOP
- Oral & Written Information on the rights & responsibilities
- Explanation of these rights
- Availability of Child Support Services



BEFUDDLE THE BIRTH CLERK

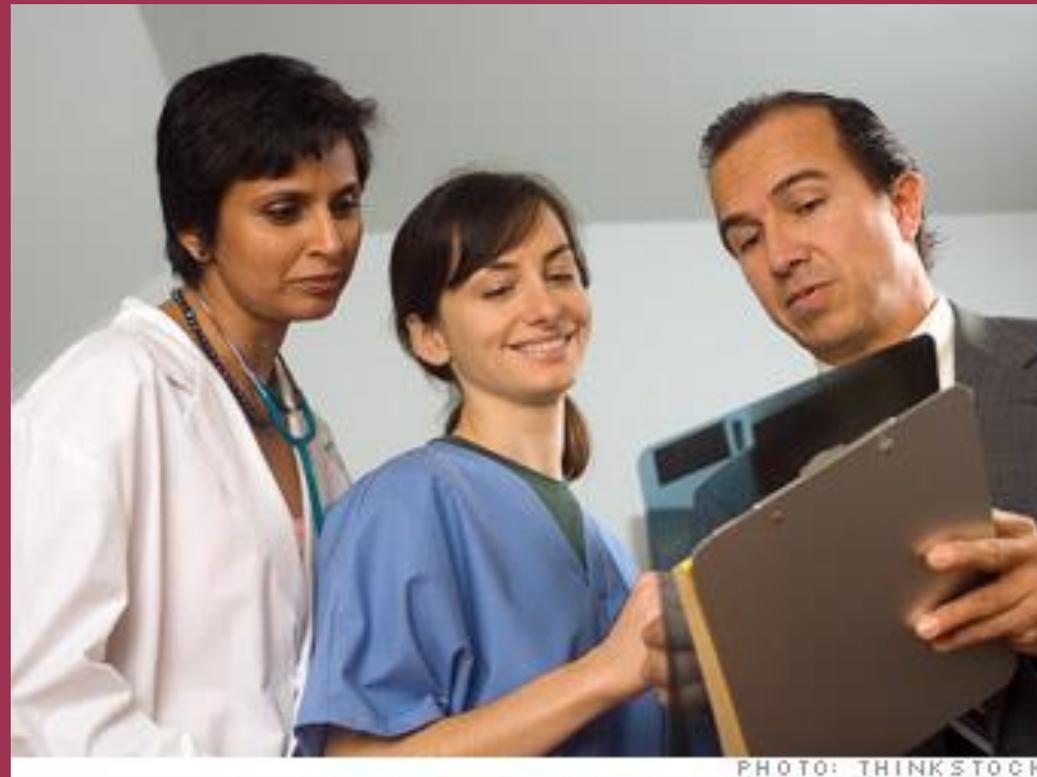


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QUESTION # 1

A mother gives birth in her apartment. She is transported to the hospital using a hospital vehicle afterwards. Who files the record?

ANSWER # 1

The Local Registrar in the registration district where the birth occurred.

TAC Title 25 181.1 Definitions (19) –

Non-institutional Birth – A birth occurring outside a hospital or birthing center licensed by the Department of State Health Services.

QUESTION # 2

The parents are from a foreign country and want to represent their culture with accent marks on their babies birth certificate. Is that allowable?

ANSWER # 2

No.

Handbook for Birth Registration in TER - General Tab 1 – Child’s Current Legal Name –
Special characters that are used in languages other than English are not permitted.

QUESTION # 3

A birth certificate is a confidential record. It is closed from public access for 50 years. True or False?

ANSWER # 3

False.

TAC Rule 181.23 (b) (2)

A general birth index is public information and available to the public to the extent the index relates to a birth record that is public on or after the **75th anniversary of the date of birth** as show on the record unless the fact of an adoption or paternity determination can be revealed or broken or if the index contains specific identifying information relating to the parents of the who is the subject of an adoption placement.

QUESTION # 4

The parents cannot come up with a name for their newborn baby. The hospital should allow the parents time to do so & hold off on filing the record.

ANSWER # 4

Based on a parent's religious beliefs, a parent may request that a person required to file a birth certificate or report a birth delay filing the certificate or making the report until the parent contacts the person with the child's name. If a parent does not name the child before the fifth day after the date of the birth due to the parent's religious beliefs, the parent must contact the person required to file the birth certificate or report the birth with the name of the child as soon as the child is named. A person required to file the birth certificate or report the birth who delays filing the certificate or making the report in accordance with the parent's request shall file the certificate or make the report not later than the 15th day after the date of the child's birth.

HSC Sec. 192.003 (e)

The Birth Clerk should move the record forward to be filed by placing "infant" in the first name field.

QUESTION # 5

An amendment can be done to add a fathers name?

ANSWER # 5

No, it cannot.

An application to Amend Certificate of Birth (VS-170) may be used in requesting completion of any item left blank on the original birth certificate or to correct any errors made during the completion of the original record, except information relating to paternity. See information on completing the Application for a New Birth Certificate based on Parentage (VS-166)

Handbook for Birth Registration in TER

QUESTION # 6

A baby is born at 18 weeks, weighing 170 grams. The baby lives for a short time and then expires. A birth certificate and a death certificate should be completed for the baby.

ANSWER # 6

True.

In order to file a birth record in TER the hospital would need to record the minimum weight allowed which is **227 grams**. Once the record is released to the state send an email to the TER Help-Desk requesting that the weight on the birth record be changed to reflect the correct weight of 170 grams.

QUESTION # 7

A baby goes to full term but is born dead (stillbirth). Since the death occurred at the hospital the birth registrar should file the fetal death record in TER.

ANSWER # 7

No.

The fetal death registration is a fully manual process. The hospital would need to use the state registration form (pink) to manually register the fetal death. If arrangements are made for a funeral home to take possession of the remains, then the funeral home would register the fetal death record.

QUESTION # 8

Which, if any, of the below names could be correctly entered into TER as a birth record?

Benjamin Green-Ellis

Macy Mae Jiménez

ANSWER # 8

First name yes.

Second name no.

QUESTION # 9

Why is it important to have accurate and complete information on the birth record?

ANSWER # 9

A person's birth certificate is the first legal document identifying that person. The information on the birth record will effect any future documentation for that person.

The statistical data provides insight into health trends and issues and allows justification for funding and development of programs to improve birth outcomes.



SFN: LFN:

MOM MED REC: [] [] [] ALL UNRESOLVED []

General Mother 1 Mother 2 Father 1 Father 2 Medical 1 Medical 2 Certifier

Person 1 Title Preference (Registration)

Record Type? [] Mother's Medical Record Number: []

Child's Place of Birth: Name: [] Type: [] County: [] State: [] City: []

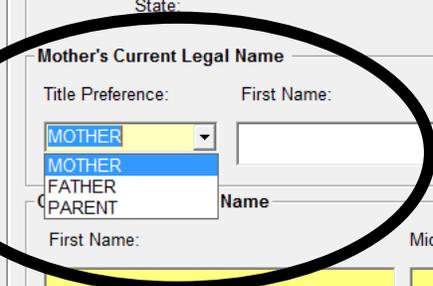
Mother's Current Legal Name: Title Preference: [MOTHER] First Name: [] Middle Name: [] Last Name: [] Suffix: []

Child's Information: Time of Birth: [] Am/Pm: [] Date of Birth: [] Plurality: [] Birth Order: [] # Of Infants Alive: [] Sex: MALE

Mother's Address: Residence Address: [] Apt #: [] State/Foreign country/Terr: [] County: [] Zip: [] Ext: []

Mailing Address Same as Residence Address? [] City, Town or Location: [] Inside City Limits? []

Mailing Address: [] Apt #: [] State/Foreign country/Terr: [] City, Town or Location: [] Zip: [] Ext: []



10. Mother's Name Prior to First Marriage			First	Middle	Last	11. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	12. B
RACHAEL CELESTE GREEN						12/10/1980	TEX
13a. Residence - State	13b. County	13c. City, Town or Location		13d. Street Address or P			
TEXAS	WILLIAMSON	ROUND ROCK		3924 HALEYS W			

10. Father's Name Prior to First Marriage			First	Middle	Last	11. Date of Birth (mm/dd/	Signature of State P
VIVIANNA GONZALEZ						09/21/1986	
13a. Residence - State	13b. County	13c. City, Town or Location		13d. Street			
TEXAS	STARR	RIO GRANDE CITY		408 ANA			
13e. Zip Code	13f. Inside City Limits	14. Mailing Address:		15. Same As Residence, or			

10. Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage			First	Middle	Last	11. Date of Birth (mm/d
TEST TEST						07/13/1970
13a. Residence - State	13b. County	13c. City, Town or Location		13d. Street		
TEXAS	TRAVIS	AUSTIN		800 WE		

Marital Status: CURRENTLY MARRIED

Married within 300 days? YES

AOP: NO

Mother's Name Prior to Her First Marriage

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Suffix:



SFN: LFN:

MOM MED REC: [] [] [] ALL UNRESOLVED []

General Mother 1 Mother 2 Father 1 Father 2 Medical 1 Medical 2 Certifier

Person 2 Title Preference (Registration)

Father's Current Legal Name

Title Preference:

FATHER
MOTHER
FATHER
PARENT

Father's Information

Education: []

Occupation: [] Type of Business(Industry): []

Middle Name: []

Last Name: []

Suffix: []

Father's Information

Date of Birth: [] Age: []

State, Territory, or Foreign Country of Birth: []

Father's SSN: []

Father of Hispanic Origin? (Check only one)

- 00. No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latina
- 01. Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicana
- 02. Yes, Puerto Rican
- 03. Yes, Cuban
- 04. Yes, other Spanish/Hispanic/Latina

(Specify)

[]

- 99. Unknown if Spanish/Hispanic/Latina

Father Of Hispanic Origin? [] Father's Race []

General Birth_Mother 1 Birth_Mother 2 Father 1 Father 2 Medical_1 Medical_2 Certifier

Surrogate Birth (Registration)

Record Type? [dropdown] Mother's Medical Record Number: [text]

Surrogate [dropdown] State File Number: [text]

Child's Information

Time of Birth: [text] Am/Pm: [dropdown]

Date of Birth: [text] Plurality: [dropdown]

Birth Order: [dropdown]

Child's Place of Birth

Name: [text] State: [text] Date of Birth: [text]

Type: [text] County: [text] Plurality: [dropdown]

State: [text] City: [text] Date of Birth: [text]

Birth Mother's Current Legal Name

Title Preference: [dropdown] First Name: [text] Middle Name: [text] Last Name: [text]

MOTHER [dropdown] [text] [text] [text]

Child's Current Legal Name

First Name: [text] Middle Name: [text] Last Name: [text] Suffix: [dropdown]

[text] [text] [text] [dropdown]

Sex: [dropdown]

Birth Mother's Address

Residence Address: [text] Apt #: [text] State/Foreign country/Terr.: [dropdown] County: [dropdown] Zip: [text] Ext: [text]

[text] [text] [text] [dropdown] [text] [dropdown] [text]

Mailing Address Same as Residence Address? [dropdown] City, Town or Location: [dropdown] Inside City Limits? [dropdown]

[text] [text] [text] [dropdown] [text] [dropdown] [text]

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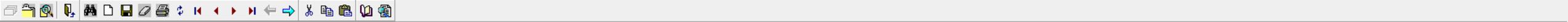
[text] [text] [text] [dropdown] [text] [dropdown] [text]

Are You Sure?

Changing the Surrogacy of this record will reset many data items

Are you sure you want to change this?

Yes No Cancel



MOM MED REC: ALL UNRESOLVED

General Birth Mother 1 Birth Mother 2 Father 1 Father 2 Medical 1 Medical 2 Certifier Intended Mother Intended Father

Surrogacy Type (Registration)

Record Type? BORN AT FACILITY

Surrogate
 1 Parent Court Ordered Surrogacy
 2 Parent Court Ordered Surrogacy

Child's Place of Birth
 Name: HOUSTON METHODIST HOSPITAL
 Type: Hospital County: HARRIS
 State: TEXAS City: HOUSTON

Mother's Medical Record Number:

Child's Information
 Time of Birth:
 Am/Pm:
 Date of Birth:
 Plurality:
 Birth Order:
 # Of Infants Alive:
 Sex:

Date AOP Sent:

Birth Mother's Current Legal Name
 Title Preference: MOTHER
 First Name: Middle Name: Last Name: Suffix:

Child's Current Legal Name
 First Name: Middle Name: Last Name: Suffix:

Birth Mother's Address
 Residence Address: Apt #: State/Foreign country/Terr.: County: Zip: Ext:
 Mailing Address Same as Residence Address? City, Town or Location: Inside City Limits?
 Mailing Address: Apt #: State/Foreign country/Terr.: City, Town or Location: Zip: Ext:



SFN:

LFN:

MOM MED REC:

ALL UNRESOLVED

General

Birth Mother 1

Birth Mother 2

Father 1

Father 2

Medical 1

Medical 2

Certifier

Intended Mother

Intended Father

[Home Birth](#)

Record Type?

Mother's Medical Record Number:

Child's Information

Time of Birth:

Surrogate

State File Number:

Am/Pm:

BIRTH REGISTRAR CERTIFICATION



Birth Registrar Certification



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CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- The person required to register the birth of a child in this state must meet the requirements of the birth registrar certification.

TAC 181.50

- **Certification Required.** A birth registrar may not complete any aspect of the birth registration process without holding a current certification issued by the Vital Statistics Unit.”

TAC 181.52 (a)

BIRTH CERTIFICATION PROCESS

b) Certification Process. Certification for Birth Registrars **requires** the completion of the following:

1. Acknowledgment of Paternity training course;
2. TER--Birth Registration online training course;
3. be a TER user with an individual User Identification and password;
4. oath of confidentiality (on file at facility);
5. a completed Application for Birth Registrar Certification/Re-certification; and
6. physicians, midwives or persons acting as midwives must provide current licensing information with their respective licensing bodies.

TAC 181.52 (b)

RE-CERTIFICATION PROCESS

- Birth registrars who actively register births in this state are required to obtain 8 hours of continuing education every two-year renewal period.
- Birth registration process occurring at facilities or by midwives may be inspected upon the submission of an Application for Birth Registrar Certification/Re-certification.

TAC 181.52 (c)(e)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

- Electronic Registration - 1 credit hours. This course must at least cover principals of electronic birth registration for this state.
- Other training - 7 credit hours. These approved courses should cover laws, rules, best practices, policies and procedures relevant to the registration of births in this state.
- VSU will have online classes as well as in person classes at the Regional and Annual Conferences

TAC 181.53 (2) (a) (b)

CONTINUING EDUCATION CONT.

- It is the responsibility of the licensee to track the number of hours accumulated during a certification period.
- Failure to comply. The Vital Statistics Unit will not renew the certification of an individual who fails to obtain the continuing education requirements of this section.
- Any birth registrar receiving credit for continuing education obtained fraudulently shall be reported and/or investigated by the State Registrar or the State Registrar's representative and, if necessary, shall report a violation of this section to the appropriate district or county attorney for prosecution.

TAC 181.53 (3) (4) (5)

**THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING THIS
COURSE.**