Congratulations on the birth of your new baby!

Please complete the attached information for your child's Birth Certificate. Make sure all blanks are completely filled out. **Any spaces left blank will cause a delay in the processing of the birth certificate.**

If you are not married to the biological father of your child but you want him listed as the legal father on the birth certificate you both will need to complete an **Acknowledgement of Paternity** (AOP). When the AOP is filed with the Vital Statistics Unit the biological father becomes the legal father.

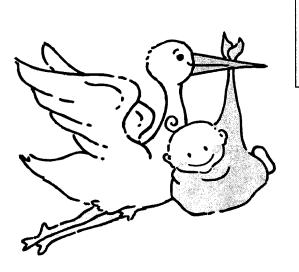
If you are married to someone other than the father of the child, your husband must complete the **Denial of Paternity** section on the **Acknowledgement of Paternity** form. If you were divorced within 300 days before your child's birth, your ex-husband may need to sign the denial of paternity, also. If the Denial of Paternity is not completed, you cannot proceed with the AOP. You can still establish paternity by applying for services at a child support office or by consulting a private attorney.

You will need to have some type of identification to complete the AOP.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation

Birth Certificate Registrar

Holli Wilson





Hospital at The Vintage

If you have any questions please call 832-534-7252

Congratulations on the birth of your new Little Texan!

Texas Vital Statistics would like to take this opportunity to answer some most commonly asked questions about birth certificates in Texas. . .

"How do I get a copy of my baby's birth certificate?"

You can request and purchase a certified copy of your child's birth certificate from the local registrar's office located in the city or county where the birth occurred, or from the Texas Vital Statistic office located in Austin, Texas.

A Certified Birth Certificate is a permanent legal document filed in the State of Texas that establishes your child's identity and is used to apply for medical or government services, passports, school admission, etc.

"When will I receive my baby's social security card?"

If you answered "Yes" to the question, "Apply for baby's social security number?", the birth information will be forwarded to the Social Security Administration as soon as the Texas Vital Statistic office receives the data from the hospital. The Social Security Administration then requires 2-3 weeks to process the information. A social security card will be mailed to the mother's mailing address as provided in this worksheet. The entire process usually takes **4-6 weeks** to complete.

"When will I receive my baby's Medicaid number?"

If you provided an answer for the questions "Mother's Medicaid Name?" and "Mother's Medicaid Number?", the birth information will be forwarded to the Medicaid office as soon as the Texas Vital Statistic office receives the data from the hospital. Medicaid then requires 2-3 weeks to process the information. An Infant Medicaid card will be mailed to the mother's mailing address as provided in this worksheet. The entire process usually takes **4-6 weeks** to complete.

Mother's Worksheet for Child's Birth Certificate

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MOTHER'S NAME PRIOR TO HER <u>FIRST</u> MARRIAGE

Do you want to complete an Acknowledgement of Paternity?

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEEDED FOR BIRTH CERTIFICATE

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Any previous c-sections please list how many
Previous miscarriage please list how many
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Maiden name
Mother Height
Mother Contact Number
Father Contact number

• Disclaimer: This information is not shared with anyone other than the Department Of Vital Statistics. This information goes into a data base for percentages for the state.

ImmTrac Information for Parents

How does ImmTrac work?

When a health-care provider gives your child an immunization, and you consent to registering this information, the statewide immunization registry, known as ImmTrac, is notified. ImmTrac will keep an electronic immunization record on your child. Some information contained in the registry are the child's name, date-of-birth, address, the name of the parent or guardian, information on the shots given, and who gave them. Optional (but very helpful) information stored in ImmTrac is the child's Social Security number and mother's maiden name. This optional information helps prevent duplicate records from being created.

How does ImmTrac help to protect my child?

Providers authorized to use ImmTrac can see what immunizations your child has already had, even if they were given in another city or county. So when you come in for shots, your child gets only those that he or she needs.

This means that your child won't be under-vaccinated and more susceptible to diseases.

Your child won't be over-vaccinated either, so he or she does not have to go through any more discomfort than is necessary.

ImmTrac can also print out a shot record you can use to get your child into school or childcare.

Using ImmTrac, immunization providers can remind you to bring your child in for shots that are due, or to notify you about shots that are overdue.

Who has access to the information?

Your privacy is protected. Your child's immunization information is available only to persons authorized by law to see it. Only doctors, schools, childcare centers, and public health providers with ImmTracissued identification numbers and passwords may view the information.

How do I register my child?

To register your child for ImmTrac participation you must grant consent in writing by:

• completing, signing, and mailing or faxing to ImmTrac this <u>□Immunization Registry</u>
(ImmTrac) Consent Form (C-7) N□, along with copies of any immunization records you have for your child. You may mail the Consent Form to:

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES IMMUNIZATION REGISTRY (ImmTrac) NEWBORN REGISTRATION FORM



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Privacy Notification: With few exceptions, you have the right to request and be informed about information that the State of Texas collects about you. You are entitled to receive and review the information upon request. You also have the right to ask the state agency to correct any information that is determined to be incorrect. See http://www.dshs.state.tx.us for more information on Privacy Notification. (Reference: Government Code, Section 552.021, 552.023, 559.003 and 559.004)

Questions? (800) 252-9152 • (512) 458-7284 • www.ImmTrac.com

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<u>BIRTH REGISTRARS</u> – Please enter newborn client information in Texas Electronic Registrar and affirm that consent has been granted. **DO NOT fax to DSHS. Retain this form in the client's birth record.**



YOUR BABY'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE & SOCIAL SECURITY CARD

Your baby's birth certificate will be complete in 14 business days after your discharge from the hospital.

** PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE YOUR CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE IN THE MAIL, NOR CAN YOU PICK IT UP HERE AT THE HOSPITAL.

You may obtain a certified copy from the Harris County Clerk's Office. It will probably be wise to call the County Clerk's Office first to make certain that the birth certificate has arrived and been processed. <u>There is a fee of \$23.00 per copy.</u>

Cypresswood County Clerk's Office

6831 Cypresswood Dr Spring, Texas (281) 379-1057 **Open:** Monday thru Friday 8:00AM – 4:30PM

Harris County Civil Courthouse

201 Caroline Houston, Texas 713-755-6411

Open: Monday thru Friday 8:00AM – 4:30PM

Apply Online WWW.TEXAS.GOV

Additionally, if you requested that we submit for your baby's social security number, please be advised that it will take approximately two to six weeks for you to receive the card directly from the Social Security Administration in Baltimore, Maryland. <u>If you have not received the card after six weeks, you must contact the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213.</u>

If you should have any further questions, please feel free to call or email us at 832-534-7252 Hwilson1@stlukeshealth.org/Cmorton2@ stlukeshealth.org/Rvasquez@stlukeshealth.org

Congratulations on the birth of your new baby.

Thank You,

Birth Registrar