

(i) Provide an opportunity for the child's mother and the father to complete a standardized affidavit of parentage recognizing parentage of the child on the standardized form provided by the Department of Human Resources under § 5-1028.1 of the Family Law Article;

(ii) Furnish to the mother written information prepared by the Child Support Enforcement Administration concerning the benefits of having the paternity of her child established, including the availability of child support enforcement services; and

(iii) Forward the completed affidavit to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Division of Vital Records. The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Division of Vital Records shall make the affidavits available to the parents, guardian of the child, or a child support enforcement agency upon request.

(4) An institution, the administrative head of the institution, the designee of the administrative head of an institution, and an employee of an institution may not be held liable in any cause of action arising out of the establishment of paternity.

(5) IF THE CHILD'S MOTHER WAS NOT MARRIED AT THE TIME OF EITHER CONCEPTION OR BIRTH OR BETWEEN CONCEPTION AND BIRTH, THE NAME OF THE FATHER MAY NOT BE ENTERED ON THE CERTIFICATE WITHOUT AN AFFIDAVIT OF PATERNITY AS AUTHORIZED BY § 5-1028.1 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE SIGNED BY THE MOTHER AND THE PERSON TO BE NAMED ON THE CERTIFICATE AS THE FATHER.

(6) IN ANY CASE IN WHICH PATERNITY OF A CHILD IS DETERMINED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND SURNAME OF THE CHILD SHALL BE ENTERED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINDING AND ORDER OF THE COURT.

(7) IF THE FATHER IS NOT NAMED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH, NO OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE FATHER SHALL BE ENTERED ON THE CERTIFICATE.

(b) Within ~~72 hours~~ ~~5-DAYS~~ after a birth occurs outside an institution, THE BIRTH SHALL BE VERIFIED BY THE SECRETARY AND a certificate of birth shall be prepared, on the form that the Secretary provides, and filed by one of the following, in the indicated order of priority:

- (1) The attending individual.
- (2) In the absence of an attending individual, the father or mother.
- (3) In the absence of the father and the inability of the mother, the individual in charge of the premises where the birth occurred.

[(c) If a birth occurs on a common carrier and the child is removed from the carrier in this State, the individual in charge or the owner of the common carrier or a designee shall prepare, on the form that the Secretary provides, and file a certificate of birth within 72 hours after the child is removed from the carrier.]