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EMS Instructor Training

What will you do?





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The Utah Newborn Safe Haven, or 'baby drop-off' law, allows a birth mother or any other person to anonymously turn over a newborn to any employee at a Utah hospital.





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The Law ...

- Protects infants from injury and death
- Provides a safe place for newborns
- Allows secrecy and anonymity for any person dropping off the newborn

(Utah Code Ann. Sec. § 62A-4a-802)



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Utah Law

- Newborns 30 days old and younger
(Accept any child any person tries to give you!)
- Newborn taken or dropped off at a hospital
- Newborn will receive a health evaluation



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Do not hesitate
to accept a newborn
from anyone!





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Medical History of the Newborn

A person dropping off the newborn may wish to provide medical information on the health of the infant or medical history of the parents.

Names should not be given.

Medical History Form can be found at

<http://www.utahsafehaven.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/02/Medical-Questionnaire-1.pdf>



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If you are approached and are unable to accept the newborn, find another EMS worker who is able to take the newborn.



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Immediately.....

- Assess health of newborn AND the mother;
- Take the newborn and/or mom to any open hospital.



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After a health evaluation and the newborn is stable, DCFS will find a foster family to take care of the newborn

A search will then be done to find an adoptive family





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What communities are at risk?

ALL



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- Teens
- Older mothers with other children
- Women in abusive relationships
- Religious beliefs and traditions



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Who can drop-off a newborn?

Any designee of the birth parent



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