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Teacher Tool Kit



Objectives:

Introduce Utah Newborn Safe Haven Law

Discuss tool kit for teachers



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Tools for Teachers

This PowerPoint is intended to help teachers with the difficult task of discussing the newborn safe haven law with students.

Why?



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Utah Newborn Safe Haven is part of the Core Standards

Utah Administrative Rule R277-474 under Standard 6,
Objective 3 of the Utah State Office of Education Core
Standards for Health:

Identify adoption as an option for unintended pregnancy and
discuss the Newborn Safe Haven Law.



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The Utah Newborn Safe Haven, or 'baby drop-off' law, allows a birth parent or someone they choose to legally and anonymously give up custody of their newborn at any hospital in Utah. They do not have to identify themselves or answer any questions.





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The Law

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

(Utah Code Ann. Sec § 62A-4a-802)



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Once the hospital receives a newborn

- Shall provide necessary child care
- Notify Hospital Birth Certificate Clerk
- Contact Utah Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) at (801) 538-4100 within 24 hours



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Discussion of Safe Haven Law in the classroom

Usually occurs during adoption education

- Teacher Tool Kit
- Student Education Videos



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Tool Kit Contents

- Safe haven Pre & Post Student Test
- Safe Haven Student PowerPoint
- Student Education video 1-2 minutes

All materials in English and Spanish



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Student Educational Video

[Safe Haven English .wmv format](#)



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School Protocol

Scenario:

Student confides in you?

Student delivers a baby at the school?

Do you know what to do?

Have a discussion with your principal—Be prepared!



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Help?

How can we help you talk about the Utah
Newborn Safe Haven Law in your classroom?

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