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Home Birth Appointment

Home births can be registered in our office by appointment by calling (510) 267-8075. The process is simple, but you will need to gather all the necessary documentation prior to scheduling an appointment with us.

You may schedule an appointment (if available) any time during regular business hours. The presence of the mother, child and a witness is required to register. The process takes about 30-45 min. The witness can be anyone who was present at the birth, such as the father, Midwife, friends.

The birth **MUST** have occurred within the last 12 months.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR THE APPOINTMENT:

- ❖ California State ID or Driver's License for parents, or U.S. passport
- ❖ Diagnosis of pregnancy from the physician or midwife (must be on letterhead)
- ❖ Proof of residency (e.g. utility bill) that covers the time of the birth
- ❖ If the child was taken to a neighboring hospital after birth, bring notification of the birth letter from the medical records department
- ❖ Newborn Screening Test (PKU) results
- ❖ Declaration of Paternity and acknowledgement of paternity (If parents are not married, these forms are available in our office.)
- ❖ Worksheet for Out-of-hospital births (6 pages in the Out-of-Hospital Birth packet)

Note: Delayed registration is available after one year through the State Office of Vital Records.

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