

Central Paternity Registry (CPR) and Birth Registry System (BRS)
Printed Document Types

This exhibit explains the various CPR/BRS document types that IV-D staff can view and/or print using the *Print* button or that IV-D staff can request from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Division for Vital Records and Health Statistics (Vital Records) using the *VR Request* button.

Note: IV-D staff must use vital record documents and the information contained in them for authorized IV-D purposes only. IV-D staff must **not** provide any CPR/BRS document copies other than for the purpose of establishing or enforcing a IV-D child support case. Release of copies to anyone, including those named on the *Affidavit of Parentage (AOP)* for non-IV-D purposes, is a violation of the CPR/BRS security agreement and is not compliant with the Michigan vital record confidentiality and Computer Crime Laws. Only Vital Records is authorized to release copies of CPR/BRS records for non-IV-D purposes.

- **Abstract**

An abstract includes **key facts** from CPR paternity establishment data or the BRS Michigan birth certificate. These abstracts **do not include signatures**. The abstract is available for viewing or printing using the *Print* button on the *Paternity Information* screen within CPR/BRS.

- **Administrative-Use Copy of Live Birth Record**

An administrative-use copy of a live birth record is a representation of Michigan birth facts on file in the BRS. This copy of the live birth record **does not include signatures**. The administrative-use copy is available for viewing or printing using the *Print* button on the *Birth Record Detail* screen within CPR/BRS.

- **CPR Certified Abstract**

A CPR certified abstract is a replica of the AOP record in the CPR database. The MDHHS State Registrar certification statement appears on the CPR certified abstract. The CPR certified abstract **does not include signatures**. The CPR certified abstract is available for viewing or printing using the *Print* button on the *Paternity Information* screen within CPR/BRS.

- **Mail Copy**

A CPR mail copy is an MDHHS-certified copy of the original AOP showing all signatures (parents and notary) printed on safety paper with the state seal. Only Vital Records staff may view and print CPR mail copies. IV-D staff may request the certified mail copy of the AOP using the *VR Request* button on the *Paternity Information* screen within CPR/BRS.

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A BRS mail copy is an MDHHS-certified copy of the Michigan live birth certificate printed on safety paper with the state seal. IV-D staff can request it using the *VR Request* button on the *Birth Record Detail* screen within CPR/BRS. This copy **does not contain parent signatures.**

Note: IV-D staff should limit their requests for mail copies from Vital Records and should use the printed abstracts, certified AOP abstracts, or administrative-use copies instead. Mail copies are generally not needed for standard IV-D work.