OKLAHOMA Human Services

Acknowledgment of Paternity

This legal document establishes paternity under Oklahoma law. **Do not sign** unless you understand your rights and responsibilities as explained on the back of this form. **Type or print in ink by pressing hard.** No cross outs, correction fluid, or alterations are allowed.

Name of hospital or entity completing form: _____ Facility code number: _____

Child's Information as it Now Appears on Birth Certificate

Child's first name | Middle | Last | Suffix | Social Security number

Date of birth | Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female | Place of birth, city | County | State

Last name of child should now be: _____

Biological mother's first name | Middle | Last | Maiden name

Date of birth | Place of birth, state or foreign country | Social Security number | Daytime phone number

Current street address | City | State | ZIP code

Was mother married at time of conception or birth? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If **yes**, spouse's name: _____

If **yes**, spouse/former spouse **must** complete Form 03PA210E, Denial of Parentage, and attach it to this form.

Biological father's first name | Middle | Last | Suffix

Date of birth | Place of birth, state or foreign country | Social Security number | Daytime phone number

Current street address | City | State | ZIP code

Signature

Have you taken a genetic test to determine paternity of this child? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If **yes**, did the test result show that you are the father of this child? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If the genetic test showed you are NOT the biological father, STOP NOW, DO NOT SIGN.

By signing below, I declare under penalty of perjury that I read and understand this Acknowledgment of Paternity. I declare the information in this Acknowledgment is true and:

1. I have been given written and oral notice of my legal rights and responsibilities.
2. I understand this acknowledgment is the same as a court order of paternity and that a challenge to the acknowledgment is permitted only under limited circumstances and is barred after two years.
3. By signing this Acknowledgment of Paternity, I give up my right to establish paternity by genetic testing at a later time.

Biological mother signature | Date

Witness signature | Printed name

Witness address

Biological father signature | Date

Witness signature | Printed name

Witness address

Parent's cannot witness each other's signatures. Witnesses cannot be related to the mother or father

Acknowledgment of Paternity Rights and Responsibilities

Please read all information and instructions before signing this Acknowledgment of Paternity.

Use this form to establish paternity for a child born to parents who were not married to each other when the child was conceived or born. The biological father of the child named on the acknowledgment will have his name added to the child's birth certificate and the child's last name can be changed. By signing this Acknowledgment of Paternity to establish legal fatherhood, you give up your right to establish paternity later by genetic testing. The signers of this acknowledgment undertake the legal responsibility to support the child. If the child lives with someone other than both parents, the parents may have to pay child support. To safeguard everyone's legal rights in this process, please consider all of the information below.

The only man who should sign this acknowledgment is the biological father of this child. Do not sign this acknowledgment if you are not sure you are the biological father. You may sign the form later, as there is no time limit on establishing paternity if there is no father listed on the birth certificate. If you sign the form after the child's 18th birthday, the child must sign Form 03PA212E, Adult Child's (18 Years or Older) Consent Form. The adult child states on the form that he or she agrees to the addition of the father's name to his or her birth certificate.

By signing this Acknowledgment of Paternity you verify receiving oral notice of your rights and responsibilities. Please call (405) 522-2273 in the Oklahoma City area; or (918)295-3500 in the Tulsa area and follow the prompts to hear about "paternity establishment".

When the biological mother was married to someone other than the man signing this form at the time of conception or birth another step is required. Her spouse must fill out and sign Form 03PA210E, Denial of Parentage. If that spouse does not dispute parentage for the child named on this form within two years of the birth, the spouse is legally presumed to be the parent. This acknowledgment cannot establish parentage for a child more than 2 years old until a court rules that the spouse is not the legal parent.

If either parent later withdraws this Acknowledgment of Paternity within 60 days, the child's last name will be changed to the mother's last name at the time of the child's birth. A minor parent acknowledging paternity has a 60-day rescission period from the date the minor parent turns age 18. All parents will be notified that paternity was withdrawn.

Instructions for Completing This Acknowledgment of Paternity

Complete every blank, including Social Security numbers, if available, and keep all pages together until both parents sign. Sign in the presence of witnesses not related to you. Do not witness each other's signature. Give the pink copy to the mother and the gold copy to the father. Do not separate the other pages of the Acknowledgment. **Mail the white and yellow copies to:**

Oklahoma State Department of Health
Division of Vital Records
P. O. Box 248964
Oklahoma City, OK 73124-8964

Disclosure of your Social Security number, and the Social Security number of your child, is required by federal law [42 USC §666]. Child Support Services will use these Social Security numbers only for the purpose of establishing paternity and, if requested or required to do so, establishing and enforcing support for you and your family.