

Baby Safe Haven Approved Location Checklist

Use the following protocol when a baby is brought to an approved location:

- The baby must appear to be under age one-year old, or the parent/agent must state that the baby is under age one.
- The baby must appear unharmed (this is not a medical judgement).
- The baby must be left with an on-duty staff member at an approved location.

For more specific information on North Dakota Baby Safe Haven Law, please visit our resource page: https://www.hhs.nd.gov/cfs/safe-haven

For access to the North Dakota Baby Safe Haven Training, please visit: https://babysafehaven.pcand.org/

For questions or more information about the HHS Baby Safe Haven Training Program and Baby Safe Haven educational materials, contact the Family Health and Wellness Unit: injury@nd.gov



Use the following protocol:

- Accept the abandoned baby.
- Provide the birth parent or agent with a medical history form, along with an addressed and postage paid envelope.
 - The parent/agent may choose to complete any of the questions voluntarily and is not required to answer the questions or complete the form.
 - If/when the medical form is returned, it must be forwarded to North Dakota Health and Human Services. (Address provided at the bottom of this page)
 - Medical form: https://www.hhs.nd.gov/cfs/safe-haven
- ✓ Ask the parent/agent:

The address, city, state, time and place of the baby's birth.

Does either parent have an Indian tribal affiliation? If so, what tribe? (If the baby's tribal affiliation in known, the Indian Child Welfare Act will apply and the tribe will be contacted about possible tribal membership).

Whether the birth certificate was issued and the first name on the birth certificate.

- Provide Baby Safe Haven informational pamphlet to the birth parent or their agent. Baby Safe Haven Pamphlet: https://www.hhs.nd.gov/cfs/safe-haven
- Call for a medical transport to the nearest appropriate facility (clinic/emergency department).

 Use emergency transport if needed. Care for the baby while waiting for medical responders to arrive.
- Report the situation to Child Protection Services at 1-833-958-3500.

 Only do so after the parent or agent leaves the location. Provide medical and legal information obtained from birth parent/agent to Child Protection Services.



North Dakota Health and Human Services 600 E. Boulevard Ave. Bismarck, ND 58505

Approved Locations

Hospitals
Law Enforcement Centers
Human Service Zone Offices
Local Public Health Units/Offices
Long Term Care Nursing Facilities
Regional Human Service Centers
Children's Advocacy Centers
911 EMS Responders