
NOTICES OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

[M16-79]

1. **Title and its heading:** 9, Health Services
- Chapter and its heading:** 19, Department of Health Services - Vital Records and Statistics
2. **The public information relating to the listed Section:**

Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 36-136(H)(3) requires the Department to define and prescribe reasonably necessary procedures for the registration, issuance, use, and accessibility of the different types of birth and death certificates. The Department has implemented this statute in Arizona Administrative Code Title 9, Chapter 19. Laws 2015, Ch. 197, § 1, amended A.R.S. § 36-333.02, which requires the State Registrar to “establish documentation requirements for Native Americans who were born before 1970 and who are requesting delayed birth certificates.”

Most of the rules in 9 A.A.C. 19 were promulgated effective July 31, 1989 and are not consistent and sometimes contradictory with statutory language. In this rulemaking, the Department plans to repeal the antiquated rules that prohibit electronic submissions and make changes intended to promote administrative efficiency. Laws 2015, Ch. 197, § 2 provides the Department with an exemption from the rulemaking requirements in A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, for the purpose of implementing Laws 2015, Ch. 197, facilitating the use of electronic records, and promoting administrative efficiency. This Notice of Public Information provides notice that the draft rules are posted at <http://azdhs.gov/director/administrative-counsel-rules/rules/index.php#rulemakings-active-vital-records>, and that the Department is soliciting comments from interested persons.
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4. **The website where persons may obtain information about the rulemaking:**
<http://azdhs.gov/director/administrative-counsel-rules/rules/index.php#rulemakings-active-vital-records>