



Donor-Conceived Birth Registration Process in Compliance with CFRA

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Who needs to register the birth of donor-conceived child?

If you used donor sperm or eggs for your fertility treatment, and your treatment took place in Ireland after May 2020, you will need to register your child as a Donor-Conceived Birth.

Why register a birth?

Registration of a birth is a legal requirement in Ireland. It is essential to obtain a birth certificate, a passport, enrol in school, etc. The registration of a birth must take place no later than three months after a child is born.

Children, Family and Relationships Act (2015)

The enactment of the CFRA in May 2020, allows the non-biological parent to be identified on the child's birth certificate (if applicable). Registering the birth of a donor-conceived child creates a pathway for that child, upon reaching the age of 18, to access information about their donor.



Merrion Fertility Clinic is your 'Donor Assisted Human Reproduction (DAHR) Facility. You must contact the clinic after your baby is born for us to issue you a Birth Registration Form.

How to register a birth

You should receive contact from Merrion Fertility Clinic approximately 1 month prior to your expected due date. After your baby is born, you need to contact the clinic and provide some information about your baby, such as their full name. The clinic will then issue you a Birth Registration Form or Certificate from DAHR Facility via the Merrion Fertility Clinic portal.

This form will detail your name, address, and date of your fertility treatment in Merrion Fertility Clinic. These details should be checked, as they will be reflected on the child's birth certificate.

You will require the following documents to register your child's birth and be issued the correct birth certificate.

- (i) Birth Registration Form from DAHR facility (Issued to you by Merrion Fertility Clinic)
- (ii) Copies of photographic identification for parent/parents
- (iii) Date of marriage (if applicable)
- (iv) DAHR Birth Registration Form (BR1.9 D)
(Request this from by emailing DAHR@welfare.ie)
- (v) Statutory Declaration Form 19A
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Please note the Statutory Declaration Form must be completed in the presence of either a peace commissioner, notary public, commission of oaths or solicitor. They must complete page 2 of the Statutory Declaration Form.

Once completed, scanned images of all the above documents may be returned to **DAHR@welfare.ie**

Alternatively, all the above documents may be returned to:
DAHR Section, General Register Office, Government Offices, Convent Road,
Roscommon Town, F42 VX53

If you require further information and would like to speak to a member of our team, please contact the clinic via the Patient Portal or by phoning 01-556-7900.