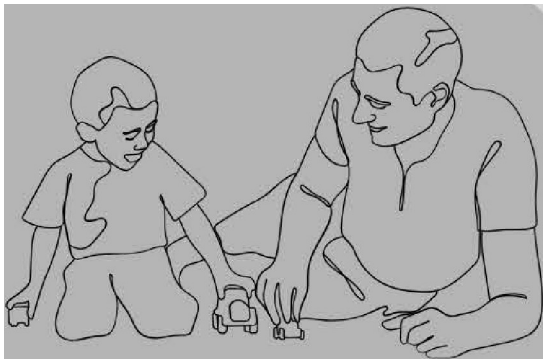
Who is a Putative Father?

Kentucky Revised Statute 199.503(2) defines a putative father as a man who may be a child's biological father, but who meets one or more of the following criteria:

- He was not married to the child's mother on or before the child's birth.
- He has not established paternity through a court or administrative process in Kentucky or another state before an adoption petition is filed.
- He has not completed an acknowledgment of paternity affidavit prior to the filing of an adoption petition.

Registering with the Kentucky Putative Father Registry ensures that a man who believes he may be a child's father can be contacted if an adoption process begins.



How do I register with the Kentucky Putative Father Registry?

To register with the Kentucky Putative Father Registry, visit the **Putative Father Registry webpage.**

Register online using the available form. Or you may complete a hard-copy DPP-1304 Putative Father Registration Form and submit it by email or mail:

Email: Putativefather@ky.gov

Mailing Address: Putative Father Registry 275 East Main Street, 3C-E Frankfort, KY 40621

Understanding When to Register

A potential putative father may register any time from possible conception to the child's bi11h, as long as he is aware of the pregnancy or the child's existence. **Registration must take place within 21 days after the child's birth.**

Registering ensures a man who believes he may be the father is identified and notified if an adoption proceeding involving the child takes place. **Registrations submitted after the child is 21 days old cannot be accepted.**

What does the Kentucky Putative Father Registry NOT do?

- **Registering does not establish paternity.** The registry simply ensures you can receive notice if an adoption proceeding involving the child occurs.
- **Registering does not create a child support obligation.** Only a court can determine legal paternity and order child support.
- **Registering does not place your name on the child's birth certificate.** Birth certificate changes can only be made through the appropriate legal process.

What happens after I register?

Once your registration is received, your information is added to the Kentucky Putative Father Registry. If the mother seeks to place the child for adoption, the attorney or child-placing agency must check the registry. If you are listed, they will receive your registration information so you can be notified about the adoption proceedings.

What is the Putative Father Registry? How Can I access it and support?

What is the Putative Father Registry?

The Kentucky Putative Father Registry is a confidential list of men who registered as possible fathers. When adoption is being considered, the attorney or child-placing agency is required to check the registry. If you are registered, your information will be provided so you can be notified about the adoption proceedings.

Accessing the Putative Father Registry Form

The DPP-1304 (Putative Father Registry Form) is completed by the putative father. You may register online using the link provided on the Kentucky Putative Father Registry webpage, or you can locate the DPP-1304 form on the CHFS website by searching "DPP-1304.

Need Assistance? We're Here to Help

If you have difficulty finding the form or would like assistance, you may email Putativefather@ky.gov or call

859-274-6644 to speak with someone who can help.

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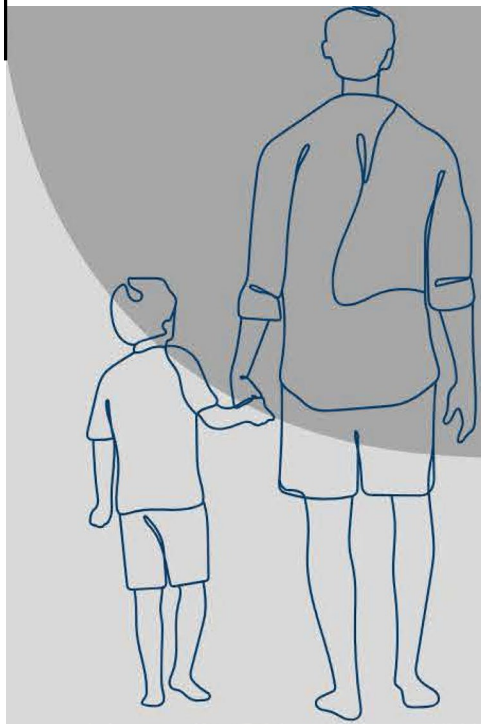
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Scan this QR code for quick access to the Kentucky Putative Father Registry.