Beware Birth Certificate Surveillance

A baby’s birth has become an opportunity for state surveillance. Citizens’ Council for Health Freedom released a report last week detailing surveillance taking place using the birth certificate data collection process. On behalf of state government, hospitals and birthing centers gather volumes of personal data on the family using a birth certificate worksheet, including education, income, medical history, last day worked, personal feelings and more.

Our report includes actions for families to reduce the collection of data and stop the surveillance. It also includes a state-by-state spreadsheet of data collected in 28 states. Please contact us to share your experience trying to limit this sweeping collection of data at birth.


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