

## **Vital records walk-in closed June 28 for technology upgrade**

BISMARCK, N.D. – As approved during the last legislative session, the division of vital records will raise the fees for certified copies of birth, death and fetal death records effective July 1, 2019. This change brings North Dakota’s vital record fees level with other midwestern states. Fees have not changed since 1983. Due to the timely need for the implementation of these changes in the IT system, the Vital Records office will be closed to the public on Friday, June 28, 2019, however online requests will still be accepted.

Under the new fee structure, certified copies of birth records will be \$15 each. Certified copies of death and fetal death records will be \$15 for the first copy and \$10 for each additional copy that is ordered at the same time. Certain administrative fees, including amendments, delayed filings and adoption filings will also be raised to \$15. Any requests for copies or other services received by June 28 will be processed using the existing fee structure.

“These new changes have required the division to make multiple enhancements to forms and existing IT systems to accommodate the fee increase,” said Darin Meschke, State Registrar at the NDDoH. “Our staff has been working hard to make sure we have everything ready for July 1.”

For more information on vital records, visit [www.ndhealth.gov/vital](http://www.ndhealth.gov/vital).

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