

We Ask Because We Care...

As part of the KVH healthcare family, you'll be asked to share information about your race, and ethnic background for both the Washington's birth filing form and your baby's hospital chart.

We strive to ensure each patient, no matter how small, has what they need to be as healthy as possible, and that we provide the highest quality of care for all.

When you tell us how your family identifies their heritage, it helps us better serve and ensure appropriate care through all life's stages.

Race Selections

- Alaska Native
- American Indian
- Asian Indian
- Black or African American
- Chinese
- Filipino
- Guamanian or Chamorro
- Hispanic Latino/Latina
- Japanese
- Korean
- Native Hawaiian
- Other Asian
- Other Pacific Islander
- Samoan
- Vietnamese
- White or Caucasian
- Other Race



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Frequently Asked Questions

Who sees this information?

- Registration staff
- Your care team
- Quality improvement
- WA State Department of Health for birth registration

All patient information collected by KVH is confidential and protected by the Health Insurance Portability And Accountability Act (HIPPA)

Is this legal to ask?

Yes, this information helps the care team communicate effectively with patients, as well as understand a patient's culture, which may affect their health. We are also required to ask per the Washington State House Bill 1272. Collecting and reporting race and ethnicity is legal under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964. However, you may choose not to answer any question.

What if I belong to more than one race?

You can note all the races you belong to.

Can't you tell by looking at me?

We find it is better to let people tell us. We don't want to assume anything about how people identify or how they want to describe themselves.

What if I don't want to answer the race/ethnicity questions?

Answering these questions is voluntary but will help us serve each individual patient. This information is increasingly being requested by County, State, and National healthcare agencies.



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