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New Nunavut Birth Certificate

IQALUIT, Nunavut (June 5, 2012) – The Government of Nunavut (GN) has introduced a newly designed birth certificate that includes security features to help protect against identity theft.

“The new birth certificate is standard across Canada, but also includes some Nunavut-specific features including our coat of arms, Inuit languages, and the territorial seal,” said Minister of Health and Social Services, Keith Peterson. “All birth certificates in Canada are printed on the same type of polymer paper that includes a clear window and other security features.”

New parents may now obtain their child’s birth certificate through the Department of Health and Social Services. The cost is $10. Application forms are available on the GN website: http://www.hss.gov.nu.ca.

The older Nunavut birth certificates remain valid, and do not need to be replaced.

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