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§16-40-3. Purposes of system.

The birth defects information system may be used for all of the following purposes:

(1) To identify and describe congenital anomalies, stillbirths and abnormal conditions of newborns;

(2) To detect trends and epidemics in congenital anomalies, stillbirths and abnormal conditions of newborns;

(3) To quantify morbidity and mortality of congenital anomalies and abnormal conditions of newborns;

(4) To stimulate epidemiological research regarding congenital anomalies, stillbirths and abnormal conditions of newborns;

(5) To identify risk factors for congenital anomalies, stillbirths and abnormal conditions of newborns;

(6) To facilitate intervention in and prevention of congenital anomalies, stillbirths and abnormal conditions of newborns;

(7) To facilitate access to treatment for congenital anomalies and abnormal conditions of newborns;

(8) To inform and educate the public about congenital anomalies, stillbirths and abnormal conditions of newborns.

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