

## **Documentation Requirements and Important Notes**

**Vital Records Request:** It can take 4-8 weeks for vital records to be processed in some states and countries. Order your documentation early in the verification process to ensure receipt.

**Photocopying Vital Records:** Some states and county clerk offices prohibit the copying of vital records (e.g. Florida, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, etc.). Dependents in these states should request a non-certified vital record for the verification.

## **Documentation Required for Unverified Dependents**

Below is a list of eligibility rules and documents required to verify your dependent(s).

To verify your dependent	Documentation Options for Verifying Eligibility
Spouse	<ul> <li>Submit a copy of the following:         <ul> <li>Marriage Certificate (if married within the last 12 months) OR</li> <li>Marriage Certificate (if married more than 12 months ago) AND</li> </ul> </li> <li>Current Tax Return with Dependent Listed OR Proof of joint ownership (Bank/Credit Card Bill; Mortgage/Lease Statement; Utility Bill)</li> </ul>
Domestic Partner	<ul> <li>Submit a copy of the following:         <ul> <li>Domestic Partner Affidavit AND</li> </ul> </li> <li>Proof of joint ownership (Bank/Credit Card Bill; Mortgage/Lease Statement; Utility Bill)</li> <li>If your domestic partner (and/or) their dependents are qualified tax dependents for federal / state tax, please submit a copy of the Certification of Tax Status form to avoid being taxed on the cost of their coverage.</li> </ul>
Child(ren)	Submit a copy of one of the following:  Birth Certificate/Hospital Birth Record OR  Adoption Certificate/Placement Agreement OR  Federal/State Tax Return OR  Document of Legal Guardianship/Custody

## Documentation Required for Verifying Life Events

To verify your life event	Documentation Options for Verifying Eligibility
Birth	Birth Certificate or Hospital Birth Record
Marriage	Marriage Certificate
Divorce/Legal Separation	Divorce Decree or Legal Separation Agreement
Adoption/Legal Guardianship	Adoption Certificate/Placement Agreement <b>OR</b> Document of Legal Custody/Guardianship
Loss of Employee/Spouse/Child Benefits Eligibility Elsewhere	A letter from employer, Medicaid/CHIP, the public health care exchange, Medicare, etc., indicating type of coverage lost, dependent(s) who were covered (if applicable), and the date coverage ended

Gain of Employee/Spouse/Child Benefit Eligibility Elsewhere	A letter from employer, Medicaid/CHIP, the public health care exchange, Medicare, etc. indicating type of coverage gained, dependent(s) who is/are covered (if applicable), and the date coverage began
Addition of Domestic Partner	Domestic Partner Affidavit <b>and</b> Proof of Joint Ownership