

Assumed Business Name/ Indiana Medical Malpractice Act

*Any health care provider that uses an **assumed business name** must state the **assumed business name** on the certificate of coverage filed with the Department of Insurance for the **assumed business name** to be included in the health care provider's status as a qualified provider as defined by IC 34-18-2-24.5. (Department of Insurance; 760 IAC 1-21-10)*

Examples: Family Practice LLC... **Good Health Clinic**
Thomas Smith MD... **Facial Plastic Surgery**

It is essential that the **assumed business name** appear on your policy of professional liability insurance and that your insurance company notify the Indiana Patients Compensation Fund.

In a January 2008 ruling from the IDOI, notification is now required of both a registered and unregistered assumed business name.

It is also essential that your **assumed business name** be registered with the Indiana Secretary of State; please consult with your attorney.

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