

NHI Enrollment for Infants with Foreign Nationalities Born in Taiwan

◎ Newborn foreigners in Taiwan with a valid resident certificate should be enrolled in NHI since the date of birth.

1. According to Paragraph 3, Article 9 of the National Health Insurance Act, starting from December 1, 2017, all newborn foreigners in Taiwan with a valid resident certificate should be enrolled in NHI since the date of birth.
2. Newborn foreigners whose resident certificate is not effective retrospectively to their date of birth, with an exception of the families of foreign professionals hired to engage in professional work, must complete the waiting period before enrolling in NHI.

For example: If a resident certificate is not obtained at birth and a residency application is submitted for the child after they have left and returned to Taiwan, the child should enroll in NHI upon staying in Taiwan for six full months after their resident certificate is issued.

◎ Enrolling as a dependent of either the father or the mother

Newborn foreigners who are eligible to enroll in NHI must be enrolled as a dependent of their father or mother. If both parents are not yet eligible to enroll in NHI and there is no lineal relative who is an NHI insured, the newborn foreigner should be enrolled in NHI with the local administration office of their residential address as an insured.

◎ Applying for NHI Card for the first time upon enrollment

You should first ask the group insurance applicant to proceed the enrollment process. At the same time, fill out an NHI Card Application Form and attach a photocopy of the resident certificate to the form. The application form can be mailed to National Health Insurance Administration (NHIA) separately or given to the group insurance applicant and be submitted with the enrollment application. NHIA will send the NHI Card to the address on the application form. You can obtain the NHI Card Application Form in post office or download it on the website of NHIA.

◎ Withdrawing from NHI when ceasing to be eligible

If the resident certificate is revoked, repealed, or expired, the insured should proceed to withdraw from NHI.

◎ Regulations governing the suspension and re-enrollment of NHI

During the valid resident period, if the insured is planning to leave Taiwan for more than six months, they can choose to maintain or suspend the coverage during such period. An application must be submitted in advance to suspend the coverage and the insured must re-enroll in NHI as soon as they return to Taiwan.



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No worries about medical visit with NHI

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