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HOW DO I...REGISTER MY BABY FOR NHI?

Babies should be registered within one-month of birth or incur a three-month penalty

Congratulations on the birth of your baby! While making arrangements for your newborn, be sure to register him or her with National Health Insurance (NHI).

To register your baby, complete Form C (Child Registration Form) found online at <http://vinhi.vg/wp-content/nhi/Forms/FORM-C-Child-Registration-Form.pdf> or fill out a form manually at the NHI office at the Joshua Smith Building in Road Town, Tortola.

The registration form must be submitted with a birth certificate, along with proof of immigration status. This includes a valid passport, Belonger's or residence certificate or card, or a letter from the Civil Registry & Passport Office; and in some instances, a letter from your child's daycare.

In order to avoid the three (3) month penalty, have your baby registered within his or her first month. The penalty stipulates that the beneficiary will not have access to his or her healthcare benefits until three months after the effective registration date.

Older infants and children who are new to the Territory, should also be registered within 30 days of their arrival to the Territory, to avoid the three-month penalty.

Upon submission and subsequent approval of your NHI registration, your child will receive the NHI Smart Card. Cards issued to children under five (5) years of age do not feature a photograph.

For more information, persons can contact the NHI main office via telephone 852-7860 or email info@vinhi.vg.

The National Health Insurance of the Virgin Islands has a mandate to provide affordable access to healthcare services for all legal residents in the Territory, in line with Government's vision, '*Towards a Healthier Virgin Islands*'.

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NOTES TO EDITOR(S): Flier is attached.

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The "*NHI, How do I?*" series is part of a campaign to ensure beneficiaries are well equipped with the information needed to access healthcare services.