



All the rights  
you need to know

Must have  
established  
household registration  
for 6 months  
in Taiwan

or

have a  
full 6 months  
of residence  
in Taiwan



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## Tips for enrolling the National Health Insurance

The National Health Insurance(NHI) program is a compulsory social insurance program. According to NHI regulations, Taiwanese citizens with household registrations and foreign nationals living in Taiwan with an Alien Resident Certificate (ARC) must enroll in the NHI program.

People with a regular  
employer



### Citizens

Taiwanese citizens with 'household registrations' must enroll in the NHI program



### Non-Citizens

Foreign nationals living in Taiwan with an 'Alien Resident Certificate (ARC)' must join enroll in the NHI program

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Non-employed persons

- For those who have no particular employers but be a member of occupational union: **they should enroll** in the NHI program **through their occupational union farmers' or fishermen's association.**
- None of the above should enroll in the NHI program as a dependent through their spouses or direct blood relatives. Otherwise they should enroll in the NHI program at their local administrative office.
- Non-employed persons who have returned from abroad to restore their household registrations or newly established household registrations:**
  - Those who have a record of participating in the NHI program within the last 2 years can enroll in the NHI program from the day when their household registration is restored.
  - Those who did not have the NHI enrollment record for the past 2 years need to wait for a period of 6 months to enroll in the NHI program after they restored household registration.

- Foreign professional, foreign special profession and foreign senior profession** (terms defined in the Act for the Recruitment and Employment of Foreign Professionals) who are employed, employers or self-employed business owners, their spouses, minor children, or their mentally or physically challenged adult children **should enroll in the NHI program from the date of receiving ARC**, and are not subject to the restriction of a full 6 months residence in Taiwan.
- Those who have a **full 6 months of residence** in Taiwan should enroll in the NHI program.
  - For those who are members of occupational union**, or workers engaged in agricultural or fishery activities, should enroll in the NHI program through occupational unions, farmers' or fishermen's association.
  - For those who are not employed or not a member of occupational union: they should enroll in the NHI program through their spouses or direct blood relatives. **None of the above should enroll** in the NHI program through their local administrative office.
  - Foreign students should apply to enroll in the program through their schools.

Newborns who are **born in Taiwan** shall enroll in the NHI program as the dependent of their mother or father from the date of birth.

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