

NHI Eligibilities for Foreign Professionals and Their Families

According to Article 21 of the amended Act for the Recruitment and Employment of Foreign Professionals implemented on October 25, 2021.

I. Enrollment eligibilities and processes

	Professionals	Families
Foreign professionals hired to engage in professional work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ They should be enrolled by their employers on the first day of the employment. ◆ The employer shall submit their work permit issued by the Ministry of Labor or the Ministry of Education together with a proof of residency to the NHI division office of the area to proceed the enrollment process. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Their spouses, children under the age of majority, and children over the age of majority who are unable to live independently due to physical or mental disabilities should be enrolled in NHI as their dependents upon the issuance of their resident certificates. ◆ The employer shall be in charge of submitting the proof of residency and other necessary supporting documents for the families.
Foreign special professionals or foreign senior professionals who are qualified to be insured as employers or self-employed business owners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Their business entity should submit an application to the NHI division office of the area to become a group insurance applicant and process the enrollment once the identity of a group insurance applicant is granted. ◆ The business entity/ group insurance applicant should submit the proof of a Taiwan Employment Gold Card or a Permanent Residency "Plum Blossom" Card to the NHI division office of the area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Their spouses, children under the age of majority, and children over the age of majority who is unable to live independently due to physical or mental disabilities should be enrolled in NHI as their dependents upon the issuance of their resident certificates. ◆ The business entity/ group insurance applicant should submit the proof of residency and other necessary supporting documents for the families.
Foreign special professionals or foreign senior professionals who are not hired to engage in professional work nor qualified to be insured as employers or self-employed business owners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Those who hold a valid Taiwanese resident certificate should enroll in NHI upon staying six full months in Taiwan. ◆ The eligible individual should bring a proof of residency to enroll either via the village (township, municipal, or district) administration offices of their registered residential address or a legally applicab' group insurance applicant. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Those who hold a valid Taiwanese resident certificate should enroll in NHI upon staying six full months in Taiwan. ◆ 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.

Relaxation of NHI enrollment restrictions for families

II. How to apply for an NHI Card

NHI Card application	Fill out an NHI Card Application Form, attach a 2-inch ID photo and a photocopy of the resident certificate to the form, and send the form by post to National Health Insurance Administration (NHIA). You may also give the form to the group insurance applicant and have them submit it to NHIA together with the enrollment form.
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