

## 10.1 Children Born in Ontario

### Policy Statement

Generally, a child born in Ontario to an insured parent is eligible for Ontario health insurance coverage from their date of birth.

Additionally, children born in Ontario to individuals who do not have Ontario health insurance (examples include non-status individuals, ineligible temporary residents, visitor record holders, CF members) may also be eligible for Ontario health insurance coverage.

Children born to individuals who are serving their inter-provincial waiting period in Ontario are not required to serve the remainder of the waiting period with their parents, and are eligible for Ontario health insurance coverage from their date of birth.

In all cases, children must meet the OHIP eligibility requirements such that their primary place of residence is in Ontario and that they will be physically present in Ontario for 153 days in any 12-month period.

Children born to tourists and visitors in Ontario who have no intention of making Ontario their primary place of residence are not eligible for OHIP coverage.

**Note:** Children born in Ontario to foreign diplomats, where neither parent is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident, are not eligible for OHIP coverage.

### OHIP Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for Ontario health insurance coverage, children born in Ontario must meet the eligibility requirements in accordance with Regulation 552 such that they:

- Are a Canadian citizen; and
- Make Ontario their primary place of residence; and
- Will be present in Ontario for 153 days in any 12-month period

### Document Requirements

#### Citizenship/Immigration Documentation

If registered for OHIP within 90 days of the birth:

- A) If baby is born in an Ontario birthing hospital or born at home and attended by a licensed midwife affiliated with a birthing hospital (Pre-Assigned Health Number process):
- Completed Ontario Health Coverage - Infant Registration form



B) If baby is born in Ontario but outside of an Ontario birthing hospital or without the assistance of a licensed midwife affiliated with a birthing hospital (non-PAHN process):

- Confirmation that the birth occurred in Ontario – a letter from the midwife, physician or nursing station following the birth. The letter must include the child's name, date of birth, place of birth and parents' names.

If registered for OHIP after 90 days from the date of birth, the following is required:

A) If baby is born in an Ontario birthing hospital or born at home and attended by a licensed midwife affiliated with a birthing hospital, but PAHN has not been activated:

- Confirmation of the baby's birth – either the parent's portion of the Infant Registration form, a Statement of Live Birth, or a letter from the hospital, midwife or attending physician.

B) If baby is born in Ontario but outside of an Ontario birthing hospital or without the assistance of a licensed midwife affiliated with a birthing hospital (non-PAHN process), one of the following citizenship documents is required:

- Canadian birth certificate; or
- Certificate of Canadian Citizenship; or
- Canadian Passport; or
- Certificate of Indian Status (also called Indian Band Card); or
- Registered Indian record (certified); or
- Statement of Live Birth from a Canadian province or territory.

#### Residency Document

A parent/guardian must provide a document from List 2 of the Ontario Health Insurance Coverage Document List that shows the parent/guardian's name and residential address on it.

#### Identity Document

A parent/guardian must provide a document from List 3 of the Ontario Health Insurance Coverage Document List that shows the parent/guardian's name and signature to confirm their identity.

#### **Eligibility Effective Date**

The effective date of coverage for a child born in Ontario to an insured parent is:

- Date of birth



### Eligibility End Date

The end date of coverage for a child born in Ontario to an insured parent is the earlier of one of the following:

- Last day of the second month after residency is established in another Canadian province or territory; or
- Date of departure from Ontario to reside permanently in another country.

General: Insured parents to register for Ontario health insurance coverage.

Applicants who are not a citizen or permanent resident of Ontario must have insurance coverage from another province or territory. Ineligible temporary residents, visitor record holders, or students may also be eligible for Ontario health insurance coverage.

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