Regular prenatal care and following your doctor’s recommendations can help keep you and your baby healthy. If you are an expectant mother, you are encouraged to participate in the Maternity Management Program.

This benefit monitors your and your baby’s health throughout pregnancy. It also manages healthcare for infants who are placed in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), as well as babies with special needs, until they reach one year old.

Preauthorizing your maternity benefits
It is recommended that you notify Medi-Call during the first trimester of your pregnancy to obtain preauthorization for the program.

By phone Contact Medi-Call at 803.663.3337 or 800.925.9724.

Online Log into your My Health Toolkit® account at StateSC.SouthCarolinaBlues.com. Select Wellness, then Personal Health Record. From your Activity Center, complete the maternity screening available, listed as Initial Maternity Screening or Coming Attractions.

This overview is not meant to serve as a comprehensive description of the benefits offered by the South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority (PEBA).
Adding your newborn to your health coverage

Newborns are not automatically added to your health coverage. When your baby is born, contact your benefits administrator within 31 days to add the child to your coverage.

You may also choose to enroll in or increase your Optional Life insurance, without needing to provide medical evidence, in $10,000 increments up to $50,000. You may make adjustments to your flexible spending accounts at the same time.

Documentation requirements

In addition to the enrollment form, you will be required to provide a copy of your child’s long-form birth certificate to your benefits administrator at the time of enrollment. The hospital will give you the application for a birth certificate before you are discharged. Be sure to request the long form, which is required because it includes the names of the parents.

Even if you do not have a copy of the birth certificate yet, you must complete an enrollment form to add your child within 31 days of birth.

Proof of insurance

Don’t worry while enrollment is processing— most providers will render services to a newborn without proof of insurance. Once the documentation is received, the coverage will be effective as of your child’s date of birth, and providers will be able to submit claims for services.

If a provider requires proof of insurance, PEBA will accept an official document from the hospital instead of the birth certificate. The document must include the child’s name, date of birth and parents’ names. It must also be signed by the attending physician or a hospital staff member.

Questions about adding a child? Contact your benefits administrator.

After enrollment: well child care benefits

The State Health Plan’s well child care benefits are designed to promote health and aid in the early detection and prevention of illness in covered children. These benefits include regular doctor visits and timely immunizations.

For more information, visit www.peba.sc.gov/valuebasedbenefits.html.