
MESSAGE FROM SOCIAL SECURITY

INFORMATION ABOUT WHEN YOU WILL RECEIVE YOUR BABY'S SOCIAL SECURITY CARD

IMPORTANT: IF YOU HAVE NOT NAMED YOUR BABY, WE CANNOT ISSUE A SOCIAL SECURITY CARD

You should get your baby's Social Security card in about 3 weeks. It takes your State about 2 weeks to notify the Social Security Administration (SSA) about your baby's birth. After the birth is registered, SSA will issue your baby a Social Security number. The card will be mailed to you about one week after SSA is notified by the State of your baby's birth. Check with your local postal authorities about mailbox name requirements to ensure delivery.

Never pay a fee to get a Social Security card. If anyone asks for money to help you get a card, notify SSA immediately at 1-800-772-1213.

If your baby has medical problems, call SSA at the number shown above to find out if Supplemental Security Income (SSI) can help. If you receive Social Security benefits, call the number shown above to find out if your baby may be eligible to receive benefits on your account.

If you are filing for Welfare or other public assistance benefits for your baby, you will need the following information completed before you leave the hospital.

This certifies that a Social Security number was requested for

Name of Child

Signature of hospital official

Date

NOTE: Notify your caseworker when you receive your baby's card.
