

# Information on user payments for hospital treatment

Your general practitioner has referred you to the hospital for a pregnancy and birth.

You do not have a civil registration number (CPR number) and an address in Denmark, and therefore you will generally have to pay either fully or partially for your treatment at the hospital in accordance with *Bekendtgørelse om ret til sygehusbehandling* (Danish executive order on the right to treatment at hospital).

Read more about your rights and options below.

## IF YOU ARE AN EU CITIZEN (YOU HAVE A BLUE HEALTH INSURANCE CARD)

If you are an EU citizen and have a valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC, blue health insurance card), you have the right to any medically necessary healthcare you need during your stay in Denmark. This applies to both necessary and emergency treatment. The attending physician in Denmark will assess whether you need treatment while you are in Denmark.

Pregnant women are entitled to free check-ups and treatment in connection with pregnancy and birth if they have a valid blue health insurance card.

You must fill out a form the first time you visit the hospital. We will use the information in the form to collect payment from your home country. [See the form here.](#)

## IF YOU ARE FROM A NON-EU COUNTRY (NOT AN EU CITIZEN AND DO NOT HAVE A VALID YELLOW OR BLUE HEALTH INSURANCE CARD)

If you do not have a Danish civil registration number (CPR number) and valid yellow health insurance card, you will need to pay for antenatal check-ups and to give birth at a public hospital in Denmark.

However, giving birth at a hospital is free of charge if you give birth before or after your due date i.e., before the 37th week of pregnancy (37 weeks + 0 days) or after the 42nd week of pregnancy (41 weeks + 6 days).

### If you have applied for family reunification

If you have applied for family reunification and have a receipt from the Danish Immigration Service of an ongoing family reunification case, then you will not be charged for giving birth at the hospital. Remember to bring a copy of the receipt from the Danish Immigration Service to your first appointment at the hospital. This receipt is documentation of your right to give birth free of charge.

### You may be entitled to a special health insurance card while waiting for Danish residential registration

As a non-EU citizen, you can apply for a special health insurance card that entitles you to free healthcare in Denmark even though you are not yet registered at an address in Denmark. This requires that you are insured under a family member who does have a valid a yellow health insurance card, and that you have applied for family reunification.

It is your responsibility to check whether you are entitled to a special health insurance card. Contact Udbetaling Danmark, International Sygesikring (special health insurance card) at tel: +45 70 12 80 81 or go to [www.lifeindenmark.borger.dk](http://www.lifeindenmark.borger.dk) and search for "special health insurance card".

## BEFORE GIVING BIRTH

- We have invited you to attend antenatal appointments as we encourage all pregnant women to accept all antenatal care offered by the public healthcare system. It is the best way to monitor both you and your child's well-being

during pregnancy. Please be aware that **you will be charged for these appointments.**

- If your pregnancy requires multiple appointments at the hospital due to your health or the health of your unborn child, you will be charged for these appointments as well.
- Generally, you will also be charged for any emergency treatment related to your pregnancy. However, emergency treatment may be free of charge in some situations.
- During your first visit to the hospital, you will be asked to fill in a form where you consent to pay for the treatment you are receiving at the hospital.
- You will receive an itemized bill after you have given birth.
- If you do not wish to use the services offered by a public hospital, you can contact a private clinic for your antenatal care. **You will be charged for these services as well.**

#### **After giving birth**

You will be charged for any additional examinations or care you may need after giving birth.

A few days after delivery, your child will need to undergo a heel prick test (small blood sample) and a hearing screening. The hospital will not charge you for these tests.

#### **About payment**

- The amount due will depend on which examinations and treatments you received during and after your pregnancy, and whether you need to pay for giving birth at the hospital.
- You will receive an itemized bill after the child is born.

### **IF YOU NEED EMERGENCY CARE DURING PREGNANCY OR BIRTH AND YOU CANNOT PAY**

It is important to highlight that you should contact the hospital if you need emergency care during your pregnancy or during birth.

You will not be refused treatment if you need urgent care.



We will examine your options for paying for the treatment afterwards.

## CONTACT AND INFORMATION

If you have questions about the invoice and payment, call *Patientafregning* for the North Denmark Region at tel.: +45 97 64 85 14 or send an email to [afregningudland@rn.dk](mailto:afregningudland@rn.dk).

You can find the estimated prices on examinations and treatments here: <https://rn.dk/graviditet-priser>.

You are welcome to contact *Patientkontoret* (patient office) if you need guidance with regards to your rights.



### Kontakt

**Patientkontoret (patient office)**  
**North Denmark Region**  
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Monday – Friday kl. 9.00-12.00