

Things to Know

Social Security Number

If your baby was born alive and was issued a birth certificate he or she is eligible to receive a social security number. Your child can be counted on your taxes as a dependant if he or she is issued a social security number.

If you choose to have the social security card issued, make sure you call the social security office as soon as you receive the card to report your child's death date.

Medical Bills

Keep copies of all medical bills you receive and pay. This will ease your frustration when dealing with insurance companies and the hospital billing. That amount is also deductible on your taxes.

Insurance Policies

Check with your employer or human resources office to see if you have dependant life insurance coverage. You may be eligible to receive compensation. Most policies have a stipulation that a dependants lived a certain number of days.

Breast Pads

Breast pads are located in the baby aisle of your local supermarket. Save yourself the heartache and send a relative or friend to buy some if necessary.