

Your child is here. Now what?

- Remember car seats can be very confusing. Make sure you do test runs at home before going to pick up your child.

- Hospital paperwork after your child is born
 - Birth certificate
 - Social Security number
 - Shot record for your baby

- Resources you will receive from the hospitals
 - Lots of educational paperwork
 - Phone numbers of key medical professionals

- Make follow up appointments
 - Mother's doctor
 - Pediatrician for child

- Update your health insurance to include your new baby.
 - Time period: 30 days after the birth.

- Add and or amend your current insurance (i.e. life) coverage based upon any additional needs if you haven't done so already

- Update your wills to include where the assets will pass to and who you have chosen as the child's guardian should something happen to you

- Review beneficiaries on your qualified plans and insurance contracts
 - Remember minors can't own legal property, a guardian must be appointed to manage the property on their behalf

- Enroll in a college savings plan for your child. Speak to your advisor about best plan options for you and your family
 - You must wait until your child has a Social Security number before you can enroll

- Enjoy all the sweet cuddles and joys that a new baby brings into your life. Parenthood is a special gift.