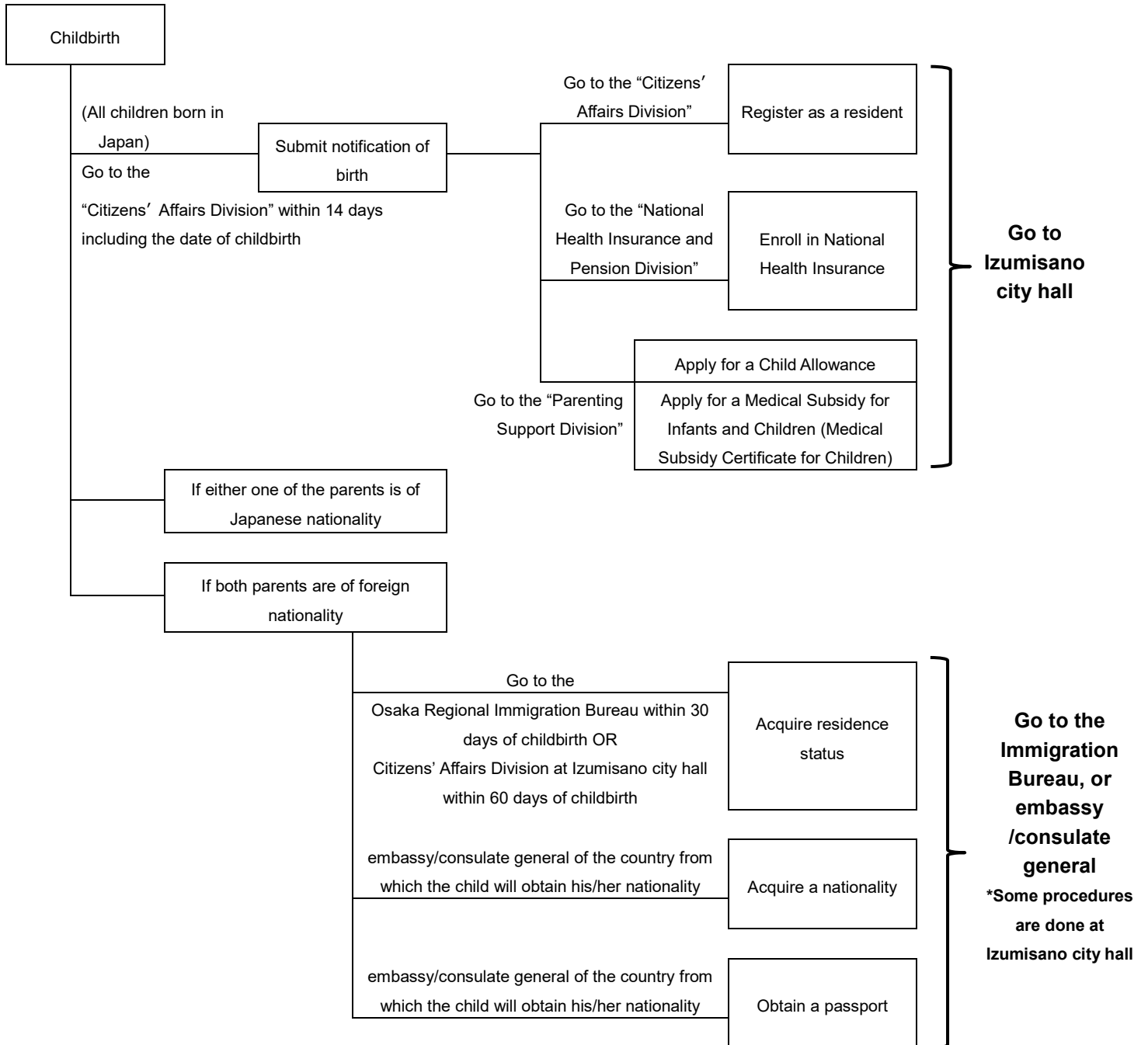


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① Procedures at Izumisano city hall

A Submit notification of birth

If you give birth in Japan, you are required to submit a “notification of birth” to the Citizens’ Affairs Division at Izumisano city hall within 14 days of your child's birth (including the day of the birth).

This notification is mandatory regardless of the nationality of the child's parents.

<What to bring>

- Notification of birth (*The doctor at the hospital where your child was born is required to fill in the box for the birth certificate.)
- Applicant's personal seal
- Maternal and Child Health Handbook
- Health Insurance card (Insured only)

If both the mother and father are of foreign nationality, please ask for the “Certificate of acceptance of birth notification” when you submit a notification of birth at the Citizens’ Affairs Division.

You will need this certificate when you apply for your child’s residence status later.

B Register as a resident

Your child will be listed on the residence certificate as your child once you submit the birth notification.

If both parents are of foreign nationality, their child is allowed to stay in Japan for up to 60 days after being born without his/her residence status.

If your child will stay in Japan for longer than 60 days after being born, you will need to acquire his/her residence status within 30 days or 60 days of the birth depending on your and the father’s residence status.

Please refer to “② Procedures at the Immigration Bureau or/and embassies/consulates general A Acquire residence status for your child” in this section for the details.

★Where to make enquiries and follow procedures:

Citizens’ Affairs Division

TEL: 072-463-1212 (extension: 2111 to 2118)

C Enroll in National Health Insurance

If you (parents) are enrolled in the National Health Insurance system, you will also need to enroll your child.

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If either one of you (mother or father) is enrolled in the Employees' Health Insurance system, please make enquiries at your company for the details.

★Where to make enquiries and follow procedures:

National Health Insurance and Pension Division

TEL: 072-463-1212 (extension: 2121 to 2129 , 2197 to 2199)

D Apply for a Child Allowance

A "Child Allowance" will be paid to households raising a child from 0 years old to the age when he/she finishes junior high school (until the first March 31 after he/she turns 15 years old).

Foreign residents currently living and registered as residents in Izumisano city are also eligible for this allowance.

Please make sure to apply for it within 15 days of the next day of your child's birth at the Parenting Support Division.

Allowance payments will begin being made the month after you apply.

You will be required to follow the renewal procedures every June.

Child Allowance	Amount
0 to 2 years old	15,000 yen/month
3 years old to the age when he/she finishes elementary school (until the first March 31 after the child turns 12 years old), For the 1st and 2nd child.	10,000 yen/month
3 years old to the age when he/she finishes elementary school (until the first March 31 after the child turns 12 years old): For the 3rd and any subsequent child. Note: The "3rd and any subsequent child" is counted among your children who are 0 to 18 years old (until the first March 31 after the child turns 18 years old). [Example] If you have children who are 19, 17, and 9 years old. → Your 19-year-old child will be not included when counting the number of children based on the Child Allowance rule. Therefore, although your 9-year-old child is 3rd based on your family registry, he/she will be regarded as the 2nd based on the Child Allowance rule. This means that the monthly Child Allowance payment is 10,000 yen for your family.	15,000 yen/month
Junior high school students (until the first March 31 after the child turns 15 years old)	10,000 yen/month

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Allowance for special cases (if you exceed the income cap)	Amount
0 years old to the age when he/she finishes junior high school (until the first March 31 after the child turns 15 years old)	5,000 yen/month

E Apply for a Medical Subsidy for Infants and Children (Medical Subsidy Certificate for Children)

Izumisano city will cover part of the medical expenses of a child who is 0 years old to the age when he/she finishes junior high school (=until the first March 31 after he/she turns 15 years old).

Eligible to apply: People who live in Izumisano city and have health insurance. (There are some exceptions.)

★Where to make enquiries and follow procedures:

Parenting Support Division

TEL: 072-463-1212 (extension: 2381 to 83 , 2385 to 87)

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② Procedures at the Immigration Bureau or/and embassies/consulates general

A Acquire residence status for your child

If your child will stay in Japan for longer than 60 days after being born, you will need to acquire his/her residence status.

If you have submitted a notification of birth and have not acquired your child's residence status 61 days after giving birth, his/her residence registration will be automatically revoked, and this means your child will no longer be eligible to receive various government services.

Please be sure to acquire your child's residence status before the deadline.

If both parents or either one of the parents are special permanent residents, please apply for this for your child at the Citizens' Affairs Division, Izumisano city hall within 60 days of the birth.

If both parents are mid- to long-term residents, please apply for this for your child at the Osaka Regional Immigration Bureau within 30 days of the birth.

If you have any questions regarding residence matters, please contact the "Immigration Information Center for Foreign Nationals."

TEL: 0570-013904 (03-5796-7112)

<http://www.immi-moj.go.jp/english/info/index.html>

B (If both parents are of foreign nationality) Acquire a nationality for your child

Please apply for this at the embassy/consulate general of the country from which your child will obtain his/her nationality.

Please contact your embassy/consulate general for further information.

C (If both parents are of foreign nationality) Acquire a passport for your child

Please apply for this at the embassy/consulate general of the country from which your child will obtain his/her nationality if you need it.

Please contact your embassy/consulate general for further information.

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③ **Financial support related to childbirth**

A Childbirth support facility

This is for those who cannot cover the costs of childbirth on their own due to financial reasons, etc.

Izumisano city will help cover part of the costs of childbirth.

If you want to use this support program, please consult the Parenting Support Division as soon as you can after your 24th week of pregnancy.

You are not eligible to apply for this after you give birth.

Eligible to apply:

Households with municipal tax exemptions

<What to bring>

- Maternal and Child Health Handbook
- Expectant mother's Health insurance card
- Personal seal
- Something that has the expectant mother's "My Number" on it (e.g., My Number Notification Card or My Number Card)

*Depending on the situation (e.g., moving to Izumisano city from another city), an income certificate (certificate of tax exemption) may be required.

★Where to make enquiries and follow procedures:

Parenting Support Division

TEL: 072-463-1212 (extension: 2381 to 83 , 2385 to 87)

B Childbirth Lump-Sum Allowance

When a woman who is insured by the Japanese public health insurance system (i.e., National Health Insurance or Employees' Health Insurance) gives birth to a child, she is eligible to receive the Childbirth Lump-Sum Allowance.

The lump sum amount is 420,000 yen per child.

Basically, it is paid directly to the medical institute where the child is born.

<Only for expectant mothers who work at a company and are enrolled in Employees' Health Insurance and have employment insurance>

If you are not paid during your maternity leave, you are eligible to receive the following benefits.

Please make enquiries at your company for more details such as about any conditions that may apply.

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C Maternity benefits

A woman who is insured by Employees' Health Insurance is eligible to receive "Maternity benefits" during the period of time from 42 days before the date she gives birth to 56 days after it.

The payment amount will be equivalent to about 2/3 of your salary.

Please make enquiries at your company for further information.

D Child care leave benefits

A woman who has employment insurance is eligible to receive "Childcare leave benefits" during her maternity leave.

The payment period varies depending on the conditions.

The payment amount will be equivalent to about half of your salary.

Please make enquiries at your company for further information.