

TRICARE® OVERSEAS PROGRAM (TOP) GUIDE TO MIDWIFERY SERVICES IN GERMANY

TRICARE PRIME REMOTE OVERSEAS BENEFICIARIES

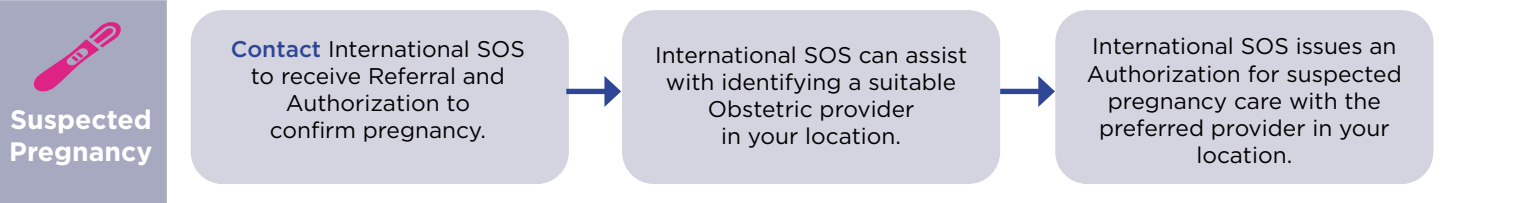


Effective **June 2, 2022**, a cultural exemption for Germany was granted to allow International SOS to reimburse claims for midwifery services when the following requirements are met:

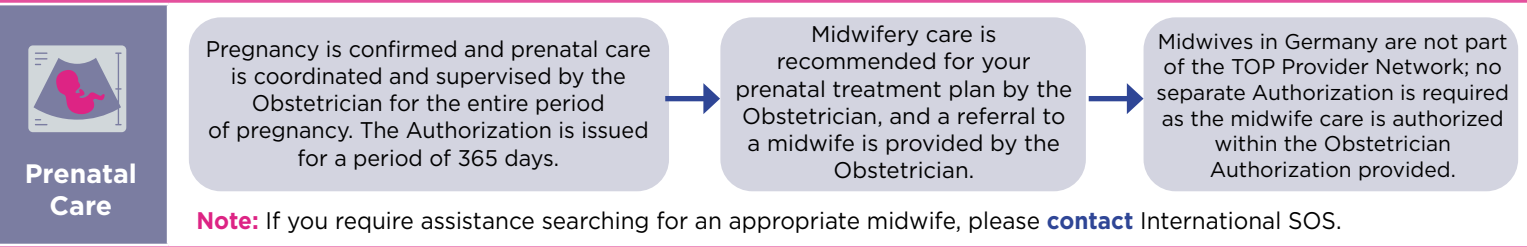


1. The midwife is qualified to degree level for practice in Germany, and evidence of the qualification is provided to meet the requirement to support the midwifery care reimbursement;
2. When the patient's pregnancy diagnosis has been formally confirmed by an Obstetrician prior to Referral to a midwife;
3. When the midwifery care is provided under the supervision of a Obstetrician throughout the pregnancy episode of care. Reference to the supervising Obstetrician, i.e., name or Authorization Number (preferred), should be included on the invoice submitted for payment;
4. The midwifery care is provided during an authorized episode of care in the prenatal, labor, delivery, and postnatal care setting, and;
5. A home birth is not a covered benefit unless the care provided occurs due to unplanned or medical emergency situations.

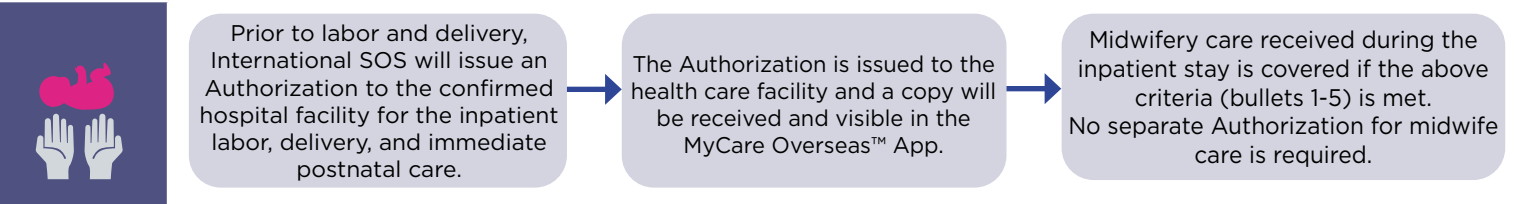
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CONFIRMATION OF PREGNANCY



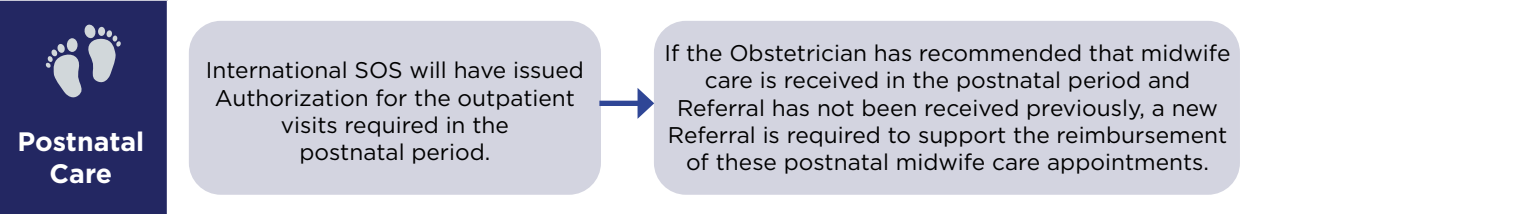
CONTRACTIONS AND DELIVERY



PLEASE CONTACT THE TOP REGIONAL CALL CENTER TO INFORM US OF YOUR ADMISSION!

Note: International SOS' Near Patient Program (NPP) Team will support you throughout your inpatient stay and planning for discharge.

HOME WITH BABY



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1

I am a TRICARE Prime Remote Overseas beneficiary enrolled in Germany and my Obstetrician has referred me for prenatal and postnatal midwifery care. Is this a covered benefit and how will my care be authorized?

Yes, both prenatal and postnatal midwifery care is a covered benefit. The Obstetrician will have to provide a Referral, as proof of supervision, to ensure the midwife is reimbursed for their services. Note that midwives in Germany are not part of the TOP Provider Network; no separate Authorization is required as the midwife care is authorized within the Obstetrician Authorization provided.

2

I am admitted to a network provider but the midwife who attended to me in the labor and delivery room mentioned that they will bill me for the services provided. Is this correct?

Not all midwives in Germany are aware of the TRICARE Overseas billing arrangements. Please share this flyer with them to provide the reassurance that since you are admitted to a network provider, they will be reimbursed for their midwife care.

3

I had to pay out-of-pocket expenses for outpatient midwifery care appointments. What do I need to include as part of my claim submission to the TOP Claims Processor in order for TRICARE to reimburse me?

International SOS advises providers that cashless / claimless services are preferred, but since midwives are not a part of the TOP Provider Network, you may be asked to pay out-of-pocket for your midwife care.

If outpatient midwife appointments result in out-of-pocket expenses, the following documentation, listed below, must be included with the completed DD2642 Form to support successful claim reimbursement:

1. A copy of the Referral(s) from the Obstetrician to the midwife who provided the care
2. The midwife's invoice (must include the below details or the claim could be rejected):
 - The supervising Obstetrician's name
 - The Authorization Number provided for Obstetric care
3. Copy of the midwife's credentials (qualifications), if not already provided

For more information on how to submit a claim online, please visit <https://www.tricare-overseas.com/beneficiaries/claims/how-to-file-a-tricare-overseas-claim>.