### ALBERTA

# FOR EXCHANGE, STUDY ABROAD, WORK TERMS, OR TRAVEL ABROAD **PROVINCIAL HEALTH CARE INFORMATION**

### **CANADIAN STUDENTS:**

\* Please be aware that the travel coverage offered through your health and dental plan is dependent on your provincial coverage being in place for the duration of your travel.

Most provinces require you to **extend your provincial coverage** or **provide notice of absence** if you are outside of the province for a set amount of time. Please be sure to contact your provincial health provider to inquire about travel restrictions and extending your coverage.

Your provincial coverage is based on your home province, and not necessarily the province in which you are living while you attend school. Please refer to your **provincial health card** to determine what province you need to contact.

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:**

\* Please be aware that the travel coverage offered through your health and dental plan is dependent on your provincial coverage, or equivalent being in place for the duration of your travel.

#### ALBERTA HEALTH CARE INSURANCE PLAN:

International students, who have an **Alberta Health Card**, please consult Alberta Health to discuss your travel restrictions and if necessary apply for a travel extension.

If you **do not** have Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan, please contact Alberta Health for assistance in completing an application. International students who have a 12 month study permit and who will reside in Alberta for 12 months or more are eligible for the Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan. Students with Study Permits valid for more than 3 months, but less than 12 months, may be eligible by providing required documentation to Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan.

#### **PRIVATE COVERAGE:**

If you have **purchased private coverage** or have been **provided** health insurance from your institution, please confirm the travel coverage in your policy document.

There **may be restrictions** to the travel coverage offered by your plan. It is highly recommended that you obtain written confirmation from your health plan provider that this coverage will be in effect during the entire trip duration.

## **APPLYING FOR EXTENSION OF PROVINCIAL HEALTH COVERAGE:**

Please note, you may need to meet specific requirements to qualify for an extension of coverage (i.e. must have been a resident of your home province for at least 6 months).

#### IF YOU FAIL TO CONTACT YOUR PROVINCE, YOU MAY RISK TERMINATION OF COVERAGE.

PROVINCE	EMAIL / WEBSITE	TELEPHONE	NOTES
Alberta	■ health.ahcipmail@gov.ab.ca	780-427-1432	Restrictions for study work and travel outside of AB. Extension required
British Columbia	■ mspenquiries@hibc.gov.bc.ca	1-800-663-7100	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
Manitoba	InsuredBen@gov.mb.ca	1-800-392-1207	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
New Brunswick	■ Medicare@gnb.ca	1-888-762-8600	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
Newfoundland	■ healthinfo@gov.nl.ca	(709) 729-4984	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
Nova Scotia	✓ MSI@medavie.ca	1-800-563-8880	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
Northwest Territories	≤ hsa@gov.nt.ca	1-800-661-0830	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
Nunavut	ĭ nhip@gov.nu.ca	(867) 645-8001	Must contact for extension and absence information.
Ontario	https://www.ontario.ca/page/ohip- coverage-while-outside-canada#section-0	1-866-532-3161	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
Prince Edward Island	▶ https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/ information/health-pei/pei-health-card	1-800-321-5492	Notice to PEI health of absence required.
Quebec	http://www.ramq.gouv.qc.ca/en/citizens/ temporary-stays-outside-quebec/health-insurance/ Pages/services-covered.aspx	1-418-646-4636	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
Saskatchewan	➤ change@ehealthsask.ca	1-800-667-7551	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required
Yukon	http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/yhcip-coverage.php	1-867-667-5209	Restrictions for study and travel. Documentation is required. Extension required

\*This information is a brief summary only and subject to change without notice. Please ensure you call or visit your provincial health provider to confirm details.

### **NEED ASSISTANCE?**



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