

HEALTH INSURANCE FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS

(BASIC INFORMATION)

Health insurance for foreign students is compulsory for the entire duration of their stay in Poland.

Students who are citizens of EU/EFTA member states and who have a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) can benefit from free healthcare in Poland. The EHIC should be collected before coming to Poland and presented at the appropriate health care facility.

Students who are citizens of **UE/EFTA**, member states and who do not have insurance in their country of origin are required to take out appropriate (private) insurance before coming to Poland.

Students who are holders of the Card of the Pole or other document confirming adherence to the Polish Nation can be registered for insurance free of charge by Vistula University (Human Resources Department, room 27). To do this aim, please contact the Human Resources Department (p. 27).

NOTE! The Card of the Pole entitles to free use of health services only in cases of urgency.

Students who are not citizens of an EU/EFTA Member State are required to take out appropriate (private) health insurance before coming to Poland.

NOTE! Private health insurance ensures the use of health care within the sum insured (specified in the policy) and on the principles set out in the General Terms and Conditions of Insurance.

Students who are not citizens of an EU/EFTA Member State may also take out a voluntary insurance in the National Health Fund (NFZ), in accordance with *Art. 68 of the Act of 27 August 2004 on healthcare services financed from public funds*, Journal of Laws f 2019 item 1373. The monthly contribution for voluntary health insurance is approx. PLN 55 (approx. EU 13). **Foreigners insured in the National Health Fund are treated on equal terms with Polish citizens and have the same access to health care services and to its financing.**

Agreements for voluntary health insurance are signed at the Mazowieckie Voivodeship Branch (MOW) of the NFZ, Chałubińskiego 8, 00-613 Warsaw (Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., tel. 800-190-590).

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO SIGN A VOLUNTARY HEALTH INSURANCE AGREEMENT:

- 2 applications for health insurance at the National Health Fund;
- Passport;
- Student ID;
- Confirmation of study issued by the University;
- Confirmation of residence in Poland.

NOTE! It is required to submit an application for health insurance on the ZUS ZZA form at the appropriate branch of the Social Insurance Institution within 7 days of signing the agreement. The voluntary health insurance agreement is concluded for an indefinite period. In the event of discontinuation of contributions or a compulsory health insurance title, the agreement must be terminated at the Mazowieckie Voivodeship Branch MOW.