

Primary Health Insurance





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Primary Health Insurance

- Primary health insurance overview
- GuardMe
- BC MSP



What is Primary Health Insurance

Coverage for essential and medical services, including:

- Visits to doctors, specialists, and other healthcare practitioners
- Medically necessary diagnostic tests, such as X-rays and blood work
- Hospital services, including inpatient and outpatient care
- Emergency medical care



Primary Medical Insurance





GuardMe

Mandatory Temporary Medical Insurance (MTMI)

- Most new international students automatically enrolled for 1st 4 months of studies (1st term)
- Covers you for new required medical services in BC (not pre-existing conditions)
- Emergency dental, vision, and prescription medication
- Non-emergency physiotherapy, psychotherapy

Guard.me/uvic for more info



Who is automatically enrolled in GuardMe?

- International students
- First term in UVic classes
- Undergraduate or graduate student
- Enrolled in a class that receives credits

Not sure if you have coverage?

Contact the ICS, we can help you enroll



How do I pay for GuardMe?

- MTMI is a one-time fee of \$265
- Fee is added to your UVic tuition
- Check your Student Account Balance on your UVic Online Tools
- Pay using the tuition payment options, including Convera global pay, wire transfer, and more



GuardMe Coverage Dates

- Fall term: September 1 to December 31
 - Grace period: August 18 to August 31
- Spring term: January 1 to April 30
 - Grace period: August 18 to August 31
- Summer Session: May 1 to August 31
 - Grace period: August 18 to August 31

Arriving early? Purchase additional Health Insurance at www.guard.me/uvic



Check your e-mail at the start of the term for a message from GuardMe!

Opt-out of GuardMe

You may be eligible to opt out of guard.me if you have an alternate eligible coverage plan, such as BC MSP.

Check guard.me/uvic for eligible plans.

100% reimbursement deadline:

- Fall term: September 22
- Spring Term: January 22
- Summer Session: May 22





Medical Services Plan

- BC MSP covers required medical services
- Apply online for BC MSP as soon as you arrive in Canada (waiting period of 3 months)
- **Cost:** \$75.00 a month



Example of BC Services Card

BC MSP Eligibility

- People living in British Columbia 6 months or more
- Study or work permit at least 6 months
- Intend on spending the majority of the year in BC

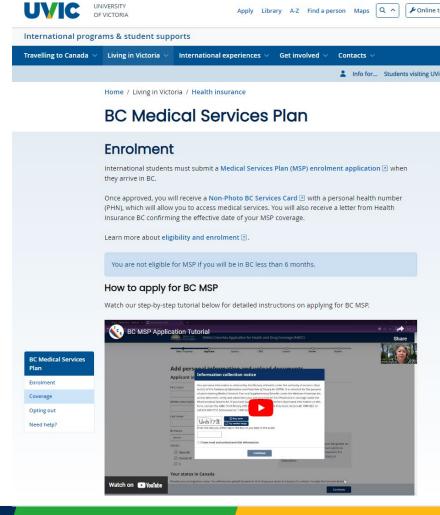
Visit ICS webpage under <u>Health Insurance</u> for International Students



Ready to apply for BC MSP?

- > Apply online (takes about 15 min)
 You will need:
- Scanned copy of study or work permit
- Residential address
- Dates of travel to Canada and BC

Need help? Watch our <u>BC MSP</u> <u>Enrollment video</u>



Questions about health insurance?

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