

Medical Insurance



Naturally parents want to know that their children have good medical coverage when they are studying abroad. Medical Insurance is included in the Abbotsford School District International Student Program Fees.

School Districts in British Columbia have worked hard with the BC Medical Services Plan (our public health care) and Guard.Me to make sure that students have complete coverage during their stay. [Guard.Me](#) is one the world's largest insurance providers in the world for international education.

5 months / 1 semester Students

Medical Insurance is provided for the entire stay by [Guard.Me@SCHOOL](#)

6 months (+) / 2 semester Students

International Students studying in BC School Districts for 6 months (or longer) are required to be covered by the [Medical Services Plan of British Columbia](#). MSP coverage typically begins three months after students arrive in BC. Eligible students receive their BC Medical Services Card from their International Assistant once MSP coverage begins.

In addition to MSP, Abbotsford School District provides [Guard.Me@BCSCHOOLS](#) , a specially designed policy that covers students for the 3 months while they are waiting for MSP to take effect AND provides extended coverage for items that are not covered by MSP.

Insurance coverage begins when students arrive in Abbotsford. This may be up to 2 weeks prior to the first day of Orientation. Please send the [Arrival Confirmation form](#) or [Airport Reception form](#) to our program as soon as the flight is booked, (and at least 3 weeks prior to orientation) to ensure the insurance is in place when they arrive in Abbotsford.

For questions about insurance please [contact our office](#)