# National Ilan University – National Health Insurance (NHI) Guidelines for International Students

According to the National Health Insurance Act, international students holding an Alien Resident Certificate (ARC) who have resided in Taiwan for six consecutive months must enroll in the National Health Insurance (NHI) program.

# I. Important Notes for Enrollment

- 1. NHI Enrollment for New International Students
- (1) New students who have resided in Taiwan for less than 6 months and already have medical insurance coverage for at least six months in their home country after enrollment: Please bring:
- A photocopy of both sides of your ARC
- One 2-inch photo

Insurance period and fee:

- Students enrolled in the first semester: coverage from March to August of the following year (NT\$826 per month × 6 months = NT\$4,956).
- Students enrolled in the second semester: coverage from September to February of the following year (NT\$826 per month  $\times$  6 months = NT\$4,956).
- (2) New students who have already resided in Taiwan for 6 months or more: Please bring:
- A photocopy of both sides of your ARC
- A photocopy of both sides of your NHI card

Insurance period and fee:

- For students enrolled in the first semester: coverage from September to February (NT\$826 per month × 6 months = NT\$4,956).
- For students enrolled in the second semester: coverage from March to August (NT\$826 per month × 6 months = NT\$4,956).

# 2. Payment Method

NHI fees for international students are included in the tuition and registration payment notice each semester. Please pay at any designated bank.

# 3. For Departments/Programs

Please help new international students fill out the NHI IC Card Application Form clearly.

- Attach one 2-inch photo on the front and photocopies of both sides of the ARC on the back.
- Collect and submit all applications to the Health Center within one month after the semester begins.

# 4. Continuing International Students

Fees are included in the semester registration payment notice and should be paid at the bank.

#### 5. Transfer Students

Transfer students should bring their ARC to the Health Center to apply for NHI enrollment. (Insurance fee: NT\$826 per month, NT\$4,956 per semester.)

#### 6. Insurance Period

The insurance year is divided into two periods:

- Fall semester: September to February
- Spring semester: March to August

Students who take a leave of absence or withdraw must contact the Health Center to apply for insurance termination and refund procedures.

# 7. Medical Treatment Regulations

During the valid insurance period, if you require medical treatment due to illness or accident, please bring the following documents to a contracted NHI medical institution:

- NHI Card
- ARC (or other valid identification document)

### II. Other Important NHI Information

- 1. If there is any error or change in your name, date of birth, or ARC information, please fill out a "Change of Insured Information Form" and submit it with relevant documents to the Health Center.
- 2. If your NHI card is lost or damaged, please apply for a replacement at the post office or the Loudong Branch Office of the National Health Insurance Administration. (A replacement fee of NT\$200 applies.)
- 3. Students planning to go abroad for more than six months may apply for temporary suspension of NHI coverage through the school before departure.
- No premiums are required during the suspension period.
- Upon returning to Taiwan, students must apply for reactivation of coverage through the school.
- If a student returns before six months, the suspension will be canceled and the premiums must be paid retroactively.
- 4. Students who take a leave of absence, withdraw, or graduate but remain in Taiwan with a valid ARC should transfer their NHI coverage to the local township/city/district office

where they reside.

Bring:

- Copy of the NHI termination/transfer form from the university
- ARC
- 5. During winter and summer vacations, students who return to their home country for less than six months cannot suspend insurance and must continue paying premiums. If emergency medical treatment is needed abroad, students may apply for reimbursement within six months by submitting medical certificates and itemized receipts to the NHI Administration.
- 6. Graduating students:
- NHI premiums for the second semester (March-June) can be paid for four months.
- If graduation is postponed, students must pay an additional two months of premiums.
- The university may collect six months of premiums in advance and refund two months (July–August) if graduation occurs as scheduled.
- 7. Graduating students should inform the Health Center whether they plan to leave Taiwan after graduation.

If no notice is given, the school will assume the student is leaving Taiwan and will process insurance termination accordingly.

8. For detailed information about medical services and NHI policies, please visit the National Health Insurance Administration website: http://www.nhi.gov.tw

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