

Health care in Sweden for foreign students *[Sjukvård i Sverige för utländska studenter]*



This fact sheet is intended for people from abroad who travel to Sweden to study. It describes the rules that apply if you need health care during your period of study in Sweden.

Students from the Nordic countries

[Studenter från Norden]

The Nordic countries are Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

If you are not registered in the Population Register in Sweden

[Om du inte är folkbokförd i Sverige]

If you come to Sweden from another Nordic country only to study, you are entitled to receive essential health care *[nödvändig sjukvård]* for the Swedish patient fee. If you wish to have health care which is not considered to be essential, you must accordingly pay the entire cost yourself.

Essential health care is treatment that cannot wait until you return to your home country. What is considered as essential health care thus depends on how long you are planning to study in Sweden.

To obtain essential health care for the Swedish patient fee, you must show proof of identity and give your address in your home country.

If you are registered in the Population Register in Sweden

[Om du blir folkbokförd i Sverige]

If you are registered in the Population Register in Sweden, you are entitled to all health care in Sweden for the Swedish patient fee. There is more information about Population Registration at the end of this fact sheet.

If you work as well as studying

[Om du arbetar vid sidan av studierna]

If you work and pay tax in Sweden at the same time, you will as a rule also be insured in Sweden. You will then be entitled to all health care on the same terms as other people who live in Sweden. Contact Försäkringskassan [*The Swedish Social Insurance Agency*] for more information.

Students from the EU/EEA or Switzerland (excluding the Nordic countries)

[Studenter från EU/EES eller Schweiz (exklusive Norden)]

There is a list of countries that belong to the EU/EEA at the end of this fact sheet.

If you are not registered in the Population Register in Sweden

[Om du inte är folkbokförd i Sverige]

If you come to Sweden from a country in the EU/EEA or from Switzerland only to study, you are entitled to essential health care for the Swedish patient fee. If you wish to have health care which is not considered to be essential, you must accordingly pay the entire cost yourself.

Essential health care is treatment that cannot wait until you return to your home country. What is considered as essential health care thus depends on how long you are planning to stay in Sweden.

To obtain essential health care for the Swedish patient fee, you must show proof of identity and your European Health Insurance Card [*europska sjukförsäkringskort (EHIC)*].

If you are registered in the Population Register in Sweden

[Om du blir folkbokförd i Sverige]

If you are registered in the Population Register in Sweden, you are entitled to all health care in Sweden for the Swedish patient fee. There is more information about this at the end of the fact sheet.

Students from countries outside the EU/EEA or Switzerland

[Studenter från länder utanför EU/EES eller Schweiz]

If you are not registered in the Population Register in Sweden

[Om du inte är folkbokförd i Sverige]

If you come to Sweden from a country outside EU/EEA or from Switzerland only to study, you are not entitled to health care in Sweden for the Swedish patient fee. You should then arrange private insurance cover. If you do not have insurance, you will have to pay the entire cost yourself if you need health care, which can be very expensive.

Exceptions

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However, there are some exceptions. This is the case for students from Algeria, Australia, Israel, Québec, Canada, the British Channel Islands, Jersey and Guernsey, and the Isle of Man.

- If you are an Algerian citizen and live in Algeria, you are entitled to acute health care for the Swedish patient fee when you are studying in Sweden. You must present an Algerian passport and be able to prove that you live in Algeria.
- If you are resident in Australia, you are entitled to essential health care for the Swedish patient fee when you are studying in Sweden. Essential care is care that cannot wait until you return to Australia. You must be able to present an Australian passport or another passport that shows that you have permanent right of residence in Australia.
- If you are resident in Québec, you are entitled to all health care for the Swedish patient fee when you are studying in Sweden. You must be able to present a certificate issued by the Bureau des ententes de sécurité sociale in Québec and a certificate of enrolment on your course in Sweden.
- If you are insured for hospital care for delivery of a child in Israel, you are entitled to health care for delivery of a child for the Swedish patient fee when you are studying in Sweden. You must be able to present a certificate from the competent authority in Israel.
- If you are resident in any of the British Channel Islands, Jersey or Guernsey, or in the Isle of Man, you are entitled to acute health care for the Swedish patient fee when you are studying in Sweden. You must be able to present a U.K. passport or another insurance certificate.

If you are registered in the Population Register in Sweden

[Om du blir folkbokförd i Sverige]

If you are registered in the Population Register in Sweden, you are entitled to all health care in Sweden for the Swedish patient fee.

Registered in the Population Register in Sweden or not?

[Folkbokförd i Sverige eller inte?]

If you are planning to study in Sweden for a year or more, you will normally be registered in the Population Register in Sweden. You can read more about how population registration works on the Swedish Tax Agency's *[Skatteverkets]* website www.skatteverket.se.

Which countries belong to the EU/EEA

[Vilka länder tillhör EU/EES?]

The following countries belong to the EU/EEA: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, The Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, and the United Kingdom.

Further information

[Mer information]

This fact sheet is not a legal text on the subject. If you would like more information, you can also read

- Tandvård i Sverige för utländska studenter *[Dental care in Sweden for foreign students]*
- Försäkrad när du bor eller arbetar i Sverige *[Insured when you are living or working in Sweden]*

You can find all information material at Försäkringskassan and at www.forsakringskassan.se. There are also other websites with information for students in Sweden, for example, www.csn.se and www.studyinsweden.se.

You can easily and conveniently take care of a number of matters at www.forsakringskassan.se with aid of our self-service facilities.

You can order certificates, forms and brochures on our self-service telephone +46 20-524 524. You can also make certain notifications to that number.

Any questions?

[Frågor?]

Please call our Customer Centre [*Kundcenter*] at +46 771 524 524 if you have any questions.

Checks by Försäkringskassan

[Försäkringskassan kontrollerar]

Försäkringskassan carries out checks on the information you provide, for example, your income, leave from work, civil status or where you live. We exchange information with other authorities and check our registers against information from others, for example, the National Board of Student Aid [CSN], the unemployment insurance funds [arbetslöshetskassorna] and the Tax Agency.

It can be a criminal offence to deliberately provide incorrect information or fail to notify changes which may affect your entitlement to benefit. Försäkringskassan reports all suspected benefit fraud to the police.