



**Northern Illinois  
University**

# *International Travel Insurance Plan*

*designed for*

## **Northern Illinois University 2017-2018**

— Please keep this outline of coverage for future reference —

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## **Eligibility For Insurance**

Each person in one of the Classes of Eligible Persons shown in the Schedule of Benefits is eligible to be insured on the Policy Effective Date, or the day he or she becomes eligible, if later. We maintain the right to investigate eligibility status and attendance records to verify eligibility requirements are met. If We discover the eligibility requirements are not met, Our only obligation is to refund any premium paid for that person.

An Insured's Dependent is eligible on the date:

1. the Insured is eligible, if the Insured has Dependents on that date; or
2. the date the person becomes a Dependent, if later.

In no event will a Dependent be eligible if the Insured is not eligible.

## **Effective Date of Insurance**

An Eligible Person will be insured on the later of Policy Effective Date or the date he or she is eligible, if not required to contribute to the cost of this insurance.

If an Eligible Person or Dependent is not in Active Service on the date insurance would otherwise be effective, it will be effective on the date he or she returns to Active Service. A Dependent's insurance will not be in effect prior to the date an Eligible Person is insured.

## **Term of Coverage**

This coverage will start on the actual start of the Trip. It does not matter whether the Trip starts at the Covered Person's home, place of work, or other place. It will end on the first of the following dates to occur:

1. the date the Covered Person returns to his or her Home Country;
2. the scheduled Trip return date; or
3. the date the Covered Person makes a Personal Deviation (unless otherwise provided by the Policy).

"Personal Deviation" means:

1. An activity that is not reasonably related to the Covered Activity; and
2. Not incidental to the purpose of the Trip.

## **Termination Date of Insurance**

An Insured's coverage will end on the earliest of the date:

1. the Policy terminates;
2. the Insured is no longer eligible; or
3. the period ends for which premium is paid.

A Dependent's coverage will end on the earliest of the date:

1. he or she is no longer a Dependent;
2. the Insured's coverage ends; or
3. the period ends for which premium is paid.

Termination of the Policy will not affect Trip coverage, if premium for the Trip is paid prior to the earlier of termination or the actual start of the Trip.

## **Schedule of Benefits**

A person may be insured only under one Class of Eligible Persons even though he or she may be eligible under more than one class. Also, a person may not be insured as a Dependent and an Insured at the same time.

Class 1 All students, faculty and staff accompanying students who are enrolled as program participants of the Participating Organization and who are temporarily pursuing educational activities outside of their Home Country.

Dependents of Class(es) 1 Insureds are eligible for Coverage under this Policy.

**Schedule of Benefits**  
**Covered Medical Expenses for Accident or Sickness**

<b>Medical Expense Benefits</b>	
<b>Total Maximum per Covered Accident or Sickness</b>	\$500,000
<b>Maximum for Pre-existing Conditions</b>	\$10,000
<b>Deductible</b>	\$0 per Covered Accident or Sickness
<b>Co-insurance Rate</b>	100% of the Usual and Customary Charges
<b>Incurral Period:</b>	30 days after the date of Covered Accident or Sickness
<b>Maximum Benefit Period</b>	The earlier of the date the Covered Person's Trip ends, or 52 weeks from the date of Covered Accident or Sickness
<b>Maximum Period of Coverage</b>	365 days
<b>Dental Treatment:</b>	
1. Injury Only	Treated as any other Injury
2. Alleviation of Pain	\$250 per tooth, \$500 max
<b>Emergency Medical Treatment of Pregnancy</b>	Treated as any other medical condition
<b>Room &amp; Board Charges</b>	Average rate of a semi-private room
<b>ICU Room &amp; Board Charges</b>	Two (2) times the average rate of a semi-private room
<b>Chiropractic Care</b>	\$50 per visit, \$500 max
<b>Mental and Nervous Disorders:</b>	
1. Inpatient	\$20,000 (30 day maximum)
2. Outpatient	\$10,000 (10 day maximum)
<b>Newborn Nursery Care</b>	\$500
<b>Prescription Drugs:</b>	
1. Inpatient Co-insurance	100% of Covered Expenses
2. Outpatient Co-insurance	100% of Covered Expenses
<b>Therapeutic Termination of Pregnancy</b>	\$500
<b>Emergency Medical Benefit</b>	Up to \$10,000
<b>Emergency Medical Evacuation Benefit</b>	100% of the Covered Expenses
<b>Repatriation of Remains Benefit</b>	100% of the Covered Expenses
<b>Emergency Reunion Benefit</b>	
1. Benefit Maximum	\$5,000
2. Daily Benefit Maximum	\$250
3. Maximum Number of Days	10 days
<b>Home Country Emergency Benefit</b>	
1. Benefit Maximum	\$5,000
2. Deductible	\$0
3. Maximum Benefit Period	30 days
<b>Personal Property and Financial Instrument Reimbursement Benefit</b>	
<b>Deductible per Trip</b>	\$50
<b>Personal Property</b>	
1. Benefit Maximum per Trip	\$250
2. Benefit Maximum per Item or Set of Items	\$100
<b>Financial Instrument</b>	
1. Benefit Maximum per Trip	\$250
2. Benefit Maximum for Cash	\$100
<b>Security Evacuation Expense Benefit</b>	
<b>Benefit Maximum</b>	\$100,000
<b>Aggregate Limit per Occurrence</b>	\$1,000,000
<b>Accident Death &amp; Dismemberment Benefits</b>	
<b>Principle Sum:</b>	
1. Class 1	\$20,000
2. Spouse of Class 1	\$20,000
3. Children of Class 1	\$20,000

## Definitions

Please note, certain words used in this document have specific meanings. These terms will be capitalized throughout the document. The definition of any word, if not defined in the text where it is used, may be found either in this Definitions section or in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

**“Active Service”** means a Covered Person is either 1) actively at work performing all regular duties at his or her employer’s place of business or someplace the employer requires him or her to be; 2) employed, but on a scheduled holiday, vacation day, or period of approved paid leave of absence; or 3) if not employed, able to engage in substantially all of the usual activities of a person in good health of like age and sex and not confined in a Hospital or rehabilitation or rest facility.

**“Country of Permanent Assignment”** means a country, other than a Covered Person’s Home Country, in which the Participating Organization requires a Covered Person to work for a period of time that exceeds 365 continuous days.

**“Country of Permanent Residence”** means a country or location in which the Covered Person maintains a primary permanent residence.

**“Covered Accident”** means an accident that occurs while coverage is in force for a Covered Person and results directly and independently of all other causes in a loss or Injury covered by the Policy for which benefits are payable.

**“Covered Activity”** means any activity in which a Covered Person must be engaged when a Covered Accident occurs in order to be eligible for benefits under the Policy. These Covered Activities are listed in the *Schedule of Benefits* and described in the Hazards section of the Policy.

**“Covered Expenses”** means expenses actually incurred by or on behalf of a Covered Person for treatment, services and supplies covered by the Policy. Coverage under the Participating Organization’s Policy must remain continuously in force from the date of the Covered Accident or Sickness until the date treatment, services or supplies are received for them to be a Covered Expense. A Covered Expense is deemed to be incurred on the date such treatment, service or supply, that gave rise to the expense or the charge, was rendered or obtained.

**“Covered Loss” or “Covered Losses”** means an accidental death, dismemberment, or other Injury covered under the Policy.

**“Covered Person”** means any eligible person, including Dependents if eligible for coverage under the Policy, for whom the required premium is paid. If the cost for this insurance is paid for by the Participating Organization, individual applications are not required for an eligible person to be a Covered Person.

**“Deductible”** means the dollar amount of Covered Expenses that must be incurred as an out-of-pocket expense by each Covered Person per Covered Accident or Sickness basis before Medical Expense Benefits and/or other Additional Benefits paid on an expense incurred basis are payable under the Policy.

**“Dependent”** means an Insured’s lawful spouse under age 70 or an Insured’s unmarried child, from the moment of birth to age 19, 25 if a full-time student, who is chiefly dependent on the Insured for support. A child, for eligibility purposes, includes an Insured’s natural child; adopted child, beginning with any waiting period pending finalization of the child’s adoption; or a stepchild who resides with the Insured or depends on the Insured for financial support. A Dependent may also include any person related to the Insured by blood or marriage and for whom the Insured is allowed a deduction under the Internal Revenue Code.

Insurance will continue for any Dependent child who reaches the age limit and continues to meet the following conditions: 1) the child is handicapped, 2) is not capable of self-support and 3) depends mainly on the Insured for support and maintenance. The Insured must send Us satisfactory proof that the child meets these conditions, when requested. We will not ask for proof more than once a year.

**“Dependent”** also means an Insured’s Domestic Partner. **“Domestic Partner”** means a person of the same or opposite sex of the Insured who:

- 1) shares the Insured’s primary residence;
- 2) has resided with the Insured for at least 12 months prior to the date of enrollment and is expected to reside with the Insured indefinitely;
- 3) is financially interdependent with the Insured in each of the following ways:
  - a. by holding one or more credit or bank accounts, including a checking account, as joint owners;
  - b. by owning or leasing their permanent residence as joint tenants;
  - c. by naming, or being named by the other as a beneficiary of life insurance or under a will;

- d. by each agreeing in writing to assume financial responsibility for the welfare of the other.
- 4) has signed a Domestic Partner declaration with Insured, if recognized by the laws of the state in which he or she resides with the Insured;
  - 5) has not signed a Domestic Partner declaration with any other person within the last 12 months.
  - 6) is 18 years of age or older;
  - 7) is not currently married to another person;
  - 8) is not in a position as a blood relative that would prohibit marriage.

**“Doctor”** means a licensed health care provider acting within the scope of his or her license and rendering care or treatment to a Covered Person that is appropriate for the conditions and locality. It will not include a Covered Person or a member of the Covered Person’s Immediate Family or household.

**“Home Country”** means a country from which the Covered Person holds a passport. If the Covered Person holds passports from more than one Country, his or her Home Country will be the country that he or she has declared to Us in writing as his or her Home Country. Home Country also includes the Covered Person’s Country of Permanent Assignment or Country of Permanent Residence.

**“Hospital”** means an institution that: 1) operates as a Hospital pursuant to law for the care, treatment, and providing of inpatient services for sick or injured persons; 2) provides 24-hour nursing service by Registered Nurses on duty or call; 3) has a staff of one or more licensed Doctors available at all times; 4) provides organized facilities for diagnosis, treatment, and surgery, either: (i) on its premises; or (ii) in facilities available to it, on a prearranged basis; 5) is not primarily a nursing care facility, rest home, convalescent home, or similar establishment, or any separate ward, wing, or section of a Hospital used as such; and 6) is not a place for drug addicts, alcoholics, or the aged.

**“Injury”** means accidental bodily harm sustained by a Covered Person that results directly and independently from all other causes from a Covered Accident. The Injury must be caused solely through external, violent, and accidental means. All injuries sustained by one person in any one Covered Accident, including all related conditions and recurrent symptoms of these injuries, are considered a single Injury.

**“Insured”** means a person in a Class of Eligible Persons for whom the required premium is paid making insurance in effect for that person.

**“Medical Emergency”** means a condition caused by an Injury or Sickness that manifests itself by symptoms of sufficient severity that a prudent lay-person possessing an average knowledge of health and medicine would reasonably expect that failure to receive immediate medical attention would place the health of the person in serious jeopardy.

**“Medically Necessary”** means a treatment, service, or supply that is: 1) required to treat an Injury or Sickness; 2) prescribed or ordered by a Doctor or furnished by a Hospital; 3) performed in the least costly setting required by the Covered Person’s condition; and 4) consistent with the medical and surgical practices prevailing in the area for treatment of the condition at the time rendered. Purchasing or renting 1) air conditioners; 2) air purifiers; 3) motorized transportation equipment; 4) escalators or elevators in private homes; 5) eyeglass frames or lenses; 6) hearing aids; 7) swimming pools or supplies for them; and 8) general exercise equipment are not Medically Necessary. A service or supply may not be Medically Necessary if a less intensive or more appropriate diagnostic or treatment alternative could have been used. We may consider the cost of the alternative to be the Covered Expense.

**“Preexisting Condition”** means an illness, disease, or other condition of the Covered Person that in the 6 months period before the Covered Person’s coverage became effective under the Policy:

1. first manifested itself, worsened, became acute, or exhibited symptoms that would have caused a person to seek diagnosis, care, or treatment; or
2. required taking prescribed drugs or medicines, unless the condition for which the prescribed drug or medicine is taken remains controlled without any change in the required prescription; or
3. was treated by a Doctor or treatment had been recommended by a Doctor.

**“Sickness”** means an illness, disease, or condition of the Covered Person that causes a loss for which a Covered Person incurs medical expenses while covered under this Policy. All related conditions and recurrent symptoms of the same or similar condition will be considered one Sickness.

**“Trip”** means Participating Organization sponsored travel by air, land, or sea from the Covered Person’s Home Country. It includes the period of time from the start of the trip until its end provided the Covered Person is engaged in a Covered Activity or Personal Deviation if covered under the Policy.

**“Usual and Customary Charge”** means the average amount charged by most providers for treatment, service, or supplies in the geographic area where the treatment, service, or supply is provided.

“We,” “Our”, “Us” means the insurance company underwriting this insurance or its authorized agent.

## **Description of Benefits**

The following Provisions explain the benefits available under the Policy. Please see the *Schedule of Benefits* for the applicability of these benefits on a class level.

### **Medical Expense Benefits**

We will pay Medical Expense Benefits for Covered Expenses that result directly, and from no other cause, from a Covered Accident or Sickness. These benefits are subject to the Deductible, Co-insurance Rate, Maximum Benefit Period, Benefit Maximum, and other terms or limits shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Medical Expense Benefits are only payable:

1. for Usual and Customary Charges incurred after the Deductible, if any, has been met;
2. for those Medically Necessary Covered Expenses that the Covered Person incurs;
3. for charges incurred for services rendered to the Covered Person while on a covered Trip; and
4. provided the first charge is incurred within the Incurral Period shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Covered Medical Expenses

- Hospital semi-private room and board (or room and board in an intensive care unit); Hospital ancillary services (including, but not limited to, use of the operating room or emergency room)
- Services of a Doctor or a registered nurse (R.N.)
- Ambulance service to or from a Hospital
- Laboratory tests
- Radiological procedures
- Anesthetics and their administration
- Blood, blood products, artificial blood products, and the transfusion thereof
- Physiotherapy
- Chiropractic expenses on an inpatient or outpatient basis
- Medicines or drugs administered by a Doctor or that can be obtained only with a Doctor’s written prescription
- Dental charges for Injury to sound, natural teeth
- Emergency medical treatment of pregnancy
- Therapeutic termination of pregnancy
- Artificial limbs or eyes (not including replacement of these items)
- Casts, splints, trusses, crutches, and braces (not including replacement of these items or dental braces)
- Oxygen or rental equipment for administration of oxygen
- Rental of a wheelchair or hospital-type bed
- Rental of mechanical equipment for treatment of respiratory paralysis
- Pregnancy and childbirth

### **Emergency Medical Benefits**

We will pay Emergency Medical Benefits as shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* for Covered Expenses incurred for emergency medical services to treat a Covered Person. Benefits are payable up to the Benefit Maximum shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* if the Covered Person:

1. suffers a Medical Emergency during the course of the Trip; and
2. is traveling on a covered Trip.

Covered Expenses:

1. Medical Expense Guarantee: expenses for guarantee of payment to a medical provider.
2. Hospital Admission Guarantee: expenses for guarantee of payment to a Hospital or treatment facility.

Benefits for these Covered Expenses will not be payable unless:

1. the charges incurred are Medically Necessary and do not exceed the charges for similar treatment, services, or supplies in the locality where the expense is incurred; and
2. do not include charges that would not have been made if there were no insurance.

Benefits will not be payable unless We (or Our authorized assistance provider) authorize in writing, or by an authorized electronic or telephonic means, all expenses in advance, and services are rendered by Our assistance provider.

## **Emergency Medical Evacuation Benefit**

We will pay Emergency Medical Evacuation Benefits as shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* for Covered Expenses incurred for the medical evacuation of a Covered Person. Benefits are payable up to the Benefit Maximum shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*, if the Covered Person:

1. suffers a Medical Emergency during the course of the Trip;
2. requires Emergency Medical Evacuation; and
3. is traveling on a covered Trip.

Covered Expenses:

1. Medical Transport: expenses for transportation under medical supervision to a different hospital, treatment facility or to the Covered Person's place of residence for Medically Necessary treatment in the event of the Covered Person's Medical Emergency and upon the request of the Doctor designated by Our assistance provider in consultation with the local attending Doctor.
2. Dispatch of a Doctor or Specialist: the Doctor's or specialist's travel expenses and the medical services provided on location, if, based on the information available, a Covered Person's condition cannot be adequately assessed to evaluate the need for transport or evacuation and a doctor or specialist is dispatched by Our service provider to the Covered Person's location to make the assessment.
3. Return of Dependent Child(ren): expenses to return each Dependent child who is under age 18 to his or her principal residence if a) the Covered Person is age 18 or older; and b) the Covered Person is the only person traveling with the minor Dependent child(ren); and c) the Covered Person suffers a Medical Emergency and must be confined in a Hospital.
4. Escort Services: expenses for an Immediate Family Member or companion who is traveling with the Covered Person to join the Covered Person during the Covered Person's emergency medical evacuation to a different hospital, treatment facility, or the Covered Person's place of residence.
5. Transportation After Stabilization: if We have evacuated the Covered Person to a medical facility due to an emergency Medical Evacuation, We will pay the Covered Person's transportation costs to: a) his or her Home Country, or b) his or her host country, or c) to join the group if they have moved onward to a different location.

"Immediate Family Member" means a Covered Person's spouse, child, brother, sister, parent, grandparent, or in-law.

Benefits for these Covered Expenses will not be payable unless:

1. the Doctor ordering the Emergency Medical Evacuation certifies the severity of the Covered Person's Medical Emergency requires an Emergency Medical Evacuation;
2. all transportation arrangements made for the Emergency Medical Evacuation are by the most direct and economical conveyance and route possible;
3. the charges incurred are Medically Necessary and do not exceed the charges for similar transportation, treatment, services, or supplies in the locality where the expense is incurred; and
4. do not include charges that would not have been made if there were no insurance.

Benefits will not be payable unless We (or Our authorized assistance provider) authorize in writing, or by an authorized electronic or telephonic means, all expenses in advance, and services are rendered by Our assistance provider. In the event the Covered Person refuses to be medically evacuated, we will not be liable for any medical expenses incurred after the date medical evacuation is recommended.

## **Repatriation of Remains Benefit**

We will pay Repatriation Benefits as shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* for preparation and return of a Covered Person's body to his or her home if he or she dies as a result of a Medical Emergency while traveling on a covered Trip. Covered expenses include:

1. expenses for embalming or cremation;
2. the least costly coffin or receptacle adequate for transporting the remains;
3. transporting the remains;
4. Escort Services: expenses for an Immediate Family Member or companion who is traveling with the Covered Person to join the Covered Person's body during the repatriation to the Covered Person's place of residence.

All transportation arrangements must be made by the most direct and economical route and conveyance possible and may not exceed the Usual and Customary Charges for similar transportation in the locality where the expense is incurred. Benefits will not be payable unless We (or Our authorized assistance provider) authorize in writing, or by an authorized electronic or telephonic means, all expenses in advance, and services are rendered by Our assistance provider.

## **Emergency Reunion Benefit**

We will pay up to the Benefit Maximum as shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* for expenses incurred to have a Covered Person's Family Member accompany him or her to the Covered Person's Home Country or the Hospital where the Covered Person is confined if the Covered Person is: 1) confined in a Hospital for at least 24 consecutive hours due to a covered Injury or Sickness and the attending Doctor believes it would be beneficial for the Covered Person to have a Family Member at his or her side; or 2) the victim of a Felonious Assault. The Family Member's travel must take place within 7 days of the date the Covered Person is confined in the Hospital, or the date of the occurrence of the Felonious Assault.

"Felonious Assault" means a violent or criminal act reported to the local authorities which was directed at the Covered Person during the course of, or an attempt of, a physical assault resulting in serious injury, kidnapping, or rape.

Covered expenses include an economy airline ticket and other travel related expenses not to exceed the Daily Benefit Maximum and the Maximum Number of Days shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

All transportation and lodging arrangements must be made by the most direct and economical route and conveyance possible and may not exceed the usual level of charges for similar transportation or lodging in the locality where the expense is incurred. Benefits will not be payable unless We (or Our authorized assistance provider) authorize in writing, or by an authorized electronic or telephonic means, all expenses in advance, and services are rendered by Our assistance provider.

"Family Member" means a Covered Person's parent, sister, brother, husband, wife, child, grandparent, or immediate in-law.

### **Home Country Emergency Benefit**

We will pay benefits for Covered Medical Expenses up to the Benefit Maximum shown in the Schedule of Benefits if the Covered Person continues treatment in his or her Home Country for a covered Injury or Sickness that was first treated during the course of a Trip. These benefits are limited to the benefits that would be otherwise payable under the Medical Expense Benefit if the Covered Person were outside of his or her Home Country. Benefits are payable under the Policy only to the extent that Covered Expenses are not payable under any other domestic health care plan.

The coverage begins on the date the Covered Person arrives in his or her Home Country. It ends the later of: 1) the Maximum Benefit Period shown in the Schedule of Benefits, or 2) the date the Covered Person leaves his or her Home Country. This benefit is payable only once in any Policy Term. This coverage will end on the earlier of the date the Covered Person's would otherwise end or the end of the Policy Term.

In order for this benefit to be payable, coverage for the Covered Person must remain continuously in force and the required premium must be paid.

Home Country Emergency Benefit payments are subject to the Deductible, Coinsurance Rate, if any, and Benefit Maximum shown in the Schedule of Benefits for Medical Expense Benefits.

### **Personal Property and Financial Instrument Reimbursement Benefit**

If an Insured sustains loss or damage to Personal Property or Financial Instrument during a bona fide business Trip approved by his or her employer, We will indemnify the Policyholder, on behalf of the Insured with respect to such loss or damage up to the Maximum Amount shown on the *Schedule of Benefits* after satisfaction of the Deductible. The Insured must take all reasonable precautions for the safety of any covered Personal Property and Financial Instrument. With respect to a covered loss, We will be entitled:

1. to take and keep possession of such property and to deal with salvage in a reasonable manner;
2. to repair or replace any property for which We have liability under this Benefit, at Our option. Replacement costs are calculated on the basis of the depreciated standard for the specific personal item claimed and its average usable period.

"Personal Property" means personal goods belonging to the Insured or for which the Insured is responsible and are taken on the business Trip or acquired by the Insured during the Trip. It does not include vehicles (including aircraft and other conveyances) or their accessories or equipment or laptops.

"Financial Instrument" means coins, banknotes, postal and money orders, signed travelers and other checks, letters of credit, travel tickets, and credit cards. It does not mean the devaluation of currency or shortages due to errors or omissions during monetary transactions.

### **Security Evacuation Expense Benefit**

We will pay Security Evacuation Expense Benefits to the Covered Person, if:

1. an Occurrence takes place during the Covered Activity described in the Policy and his or her Term of Coverage; and
2. while he or she is traveling outside of his or her Home Country.



Benefits will be subject to the Benefit Maximum shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

Benefits will be paid for:

1. the Covered Person's Transportation and Related Costs to the Nearest Place of Safety necessary to ensure his or her safety and well-being as determined by the Designated Security Consultant.
2. the Covered Person's Transportation within 5 days of the Security Evacuation to either of the following locations as chosen by the Covered Person:
  - a. back to the country in which the Covered Person is traveling during the Covered Activity but only if 1) coverage remains in force under the Policy; and 2) there is no U.S. State Department Travel Warning in place on the date the Covered Person is scheduled to return; or
  - b. the Covered Person's Home Country; or
  - c. where the Policyholder that sponsored the Covered Person's Trip is located.
3. consulting services by a Designated Security Consultant for seeking information on a Missing Person or kidnapping case, if the Covered Person is considered kidnapped or a Missing Person by local or international authorities.

Security Evacuation Expense Benefits are payable only once for a Covered Person for any one Occurrence.

Benefits will not be payable unless We (or Our authorized assistance provider) authorize in writing, or by an authorized electronic or telephonic means, all expenses in advance, and services are rendered by Our assistance provider. Our assistance provider is not responsible for the availability of Transport services. Where a Security Evacuation becomes impractical due to hostile or dangerous conditions, a Designated Security Consultant will endeavor to maintain contact with the Covered Person until a Security Evacuation occurs.

Right of Recovery - If, after a Security Evacuation is completed, it becomes evident that the Covered Person was an active participant in the events that led to the Occurrence, We have the right to recover all Transportation and Related Costs from the Covered Person.

Changes in Terms and Conditions - The terms and conditions of this benefit may be changed at any time to reflect conditions that, in Our opinion, constitute a change in the Policyholder's Security Evacuation exposure. We will give at least 31 days advance written notice (or authorized electronic or telephonic means) to the Policyholder of any change in the terms and condition of this benefit.

"Appropriate Authority(ies)" means the U.S. State Department, the government authority(ies) in the Covered Person's Home Country or Country of Residence or the government authority(ies) of the Host Country.

"Designated Security Consultant" means an employee of a security firm under contract with Us or Our assistance provider who is experienced in security and measures necessary to ensure the safety of the Covered Person(s) in his or her care.

"Evacuation Advisory" means a formal recommendation issued by the Appropriate Authority(ies) that the Covered Person or citizens of his or her Home Country or Country of Residence or citizens of the Host Country leave the Host Country.

"Host Country" means any country, other than an OFAC excluded country, in which the Covered Person is traveling while covered under the Policy.

"Missing Person" means a Covered Person who disappeared for an unknown reason and whose disappearance was reported to the Appropriate Authority(ies).

"Natural Disaster" means storm (wind, rain, snow, sleet, hail, lightning, dust or sand), earthquake, flood, volcanic eruption, wildfire or other similar event that:

1. is due to natural causes; and
2. results in such severe and widespread damage that the area of damage is officially declared a disaster area by the government in which the Covered Person's Trip occurs and the area is deemed to be uninhabitable or dangerous.

Natural disaster does not mean nuclear reactions, uninhabitable property, transportation strikes, lost or stolen passport or travel documents, radiation or radioactive contamination, civil disorder and other similar events.

"Nearest Place of Safety" means a location determined by the Designated Security Consultant where:

1. the Covered Person can be assumed safe from the Occurrence that precipitated the Covered Person's Security Evacuation; and
2. the Covered Person has access to Transportation; and
3. the Covered Person has the availability of temporary lodging, if needed.

"Occurrence" means any of the following situations involving a Covered Person that trigger the need for a Security Evacuation;

1. expulsion from a Host Country or being declared persona non-grata on the written authority of the recognized government of a Host Country;
2. political or military events involving a Host Country, if the Appropriate Authority(ies) issue an advisory stating that citizens of the Covered Person's Home Country or Country of Residence or citizens of the Host Country should leave the Host Country;
3. Natural Disaster within seven (7) days of an event;
4. deliberate physical harm of the Covered Person confirmed by documentation or physical evidence or a threat against the Covered Person's health and safety as confirmed by documentation and/or physical evidence;
5. the Covered Person had been deemed kidnapped or a Missing Person by local or international authorities and, when found, his or her safety and/or well-being are in question within seven days.

“Related Costs” means lodging and, if necessary, physical protection for the Covered Person during or while waiting for Transport to the Nearest Place of Safety. Related Costs will include temporary lodging, if necessary, while a Covered Person is waiting to be transported back to the Host Country, Home Country or other country where the Policyholder that sponsored the Covered Person's Trip is located. Benefits will not be payable for Related Costs unless We (or Our authorized assistance provider) authorize in writing, or by an authorized electronic or telephonic means, all expenses in advance, and services are rendered by Our assistance provider.

“Security Evacuation” means the extrication of a Covered Person from the Host Country due to an Occurrence which could result in grave physical harm or death to the Covered Person.

“Transport” or “Transportation” means the most efficient and available method of conveyance, where practical, economy fare will be utilized. If possible, the Covered Person's common carrier tickets will be used.

Additional Exclusions - We will not pay Security Evacuation Expense Benefits for expenses and fees:

1. payable under any other provision of the Policy.
2. that are recoverable through the Covered Person's employer or other entity sponsoring the Covered Person's Trip.
3. arising from or attributable to an actual fraudulent, dishonest or criminal act committed or attempted by the Covered Person, acting alone or in collusion with other persons.
4. arising from or attributable to an alleged:
  - a. violation of the laws of the country in which the Covered Person is traveling while covered under the Policy; or
  - b. violation of the laws of the Covered Person's Home Country or Country of Residence.
5. due to the Covered Person's failure to maintain and possess duly authorized and issued required travel documents and visas.
6. for repatriation of remains expenses.
7. for common or endemic or epidemic diseases or global pandemic disease as defined by the World Health Organization.
8. for medical services.
9. for monies payable in the form of a ransom, if a Missing Person case evolves into a kidnapping.
10. arising from or attributable, in whole or in part, to:
  - a. a debt, insolvency, commercial failure, the repossession of any property by any title holder or lien holder or any other financial cause;
  - b. non-compliance by the Covered Person with regard to any obligation specified in a contract or license.
11. due to military or political issues if the Covered Person's Security Evacuation request is made more than 10 days after the Appropriate Authority(ies) Advisory was issued.
12. failure of a Covered Person to cooperate with Us or Our assistance provider with regard to a Security Evacuation. Such cooperation includes, but is not limited to, failure to provide any documents needed to extricate the Covered Person, failure to follow the directions given by Our designated security consultants during a Security Evacuation.

If a Covered Person refuses to participate in a Security Evacuation, or any part of a Security Evacuation, no further benefits will be payable under the Security Evacuation Expense Benefit for that Occurrence.

### Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefits

If Injury to the Covered Person results in any one of the losses shown below within 365 from the date of a Covered Accident, We will pay the Benefit Amount shown below for that loss. The Principal Sum is shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*. If multiple losses occur, only one Benefit Amount, the largest, will be paid for all losses due to the same Covered Accident.

<b>Schedule of Covered Losses</b>	
<b>Covered Loss</b>	<b>Benefit Amount</b>
Life	100% of the Principal Sum
Two or more Members	100% of the Principal Sum
Quadriplegia	100% of the Principal Sum
One Member	50% of the Principal Sum
Hemiplegia	50% of the Principal Sum

Paraplegia	50% of the Principal Sum
Thumb and Index Finger of the Same Hand	25% of the Principal Sum
Uniplegia	25% of the Principal Sum

“Quadriplegia” means total Paralysis of both upper and lower limbs. “Hemiplegia” means total Paralysis of the upper and lower limbs on one side of the body. “Uniplegia” means total Paralysis of one lower limb or one upper limb. “Paraplegia” means total Paralysis of both lower limbs or both upper limbs. “Paralysis” means total loss of use. A Doctor must determine the loss of use to be complete and not reversible at the time the claim is submitted.

“Member” means Loss of Hand or Foot, Loss of Sight, Loss of Speech and Loss of Hearing.

“Loss of Hand or Foot” means complete Severance through or above the wrist or ankle joint.

“Loss of Sight” means the total, permanent Loss of Sight of one eye. “Loss of Speech” means total and permanent loss of audible communication that is irrecoverable by natural, surgical or artificial means. “Loss of Hearing” means total and permanent Loss of Hearing in both ears that is irrecoverable and cannot be corrected by any means. “Loss of a Thumb and Index Finger of the Same Hand” means complete Severance through or above the metacarpophalangeal joints of the same hand (the joints between the fingers and the hand). “Severance” means the complete separation and dismemberment of the part from the body.

### **Hazards Insured Against**

We will pay benefits described in this Policy when a Covered Person suffers a loss or Injury as a result of a Covered Accident or Sickness during one of the Covered Activities listed in the Schedule of Benefits. We will only pay benefits if the Insured is engaged in one of the hazards described below when the Covered Accident occurs. Unless otherwise specified, We pay benefits only once for any one Covered Accident or Sickness, even if it is covered by more than one hazard.

#### **Educational Travel**

We will pay the benefits described in this Policy only if a Covered Person suffers a loss or incurs a Covered Expense as the direct result of a Covered Accident or Sickness while traveling:

1. outside of his or her Home Country;
2. up to the Maximum Period of Coverage shown in the Schedule of Benefits under the Medical Expense Benefit; and
3. engaging in an educational Trip authorized by the Policyholder.

### **Exclusions and Limitations**

We will not pay benefits for any loss or Injury that is caused by or results from:

- intentionally self-inflicted injury; suicide or attempted suicide. (Applicable to Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefit Only)
- war or any act of war, whether declared or not.
- a Covered Accident that occurs while a Covered Person is on active duty service in the military, naval or air force of any country or international organization. Upon receipt of proof of service, we will refund any premium paid for this time. Reserve or National Guard active duty training is not excluded unless it extends beyond 31 days.
- piloting or serving as a crewmember in any aircraft (unless otherwise provided in the Policy).
- commission of, or attempt to commit, a felony.
- sickness, disease, bodily or mental infirmity, bacterial or viral infection, or medical or surgical treatment thereof, except for any bacterial infection resulting from an accidental external cut or wound or accidental ingestion of contaminated food (Applicable to accident benefits only).
- riding in any aircraft except as a fare-paying passenger on a regularly scheduled or charter airline.
- travel in any Aircraft owned, leased or controlled by the Policyholder, or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates. An Aircraft will be deemed to be “controlled” by the Policyholder, if the Aircraft may be used as the Policyholder wishes for more than 10 straight days, or more than 15 days in any year.
- commission of or active participation in a riot or insurrection.
- an accident if the Covered Person is the operator of a motor vehicle and does not possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license.

In addition, We will not pay Medical Expense Benefits for any loss, treatment, or service resulting from:

- routine physicals and care of any kind.
- routine dental care and treatment.

- routine nursery care.
- cosmetic surgery, except for reconstructive surgery needed as the result of an Injury.
- eye refractions or eye examinations for the purpose of prescribing corrective lenses or for the fitting thereof; eyeglasses, contact lenses, and hearing aids.
- services, supplies, or treatment including any period of Hospital confinement which is not recommended, approved, and certified as Medically Necessary and reasonable by a Doctor, or expenses which are non-medical in nature.
- treatment or service provided by a private duty nurse.
- treatment by any Immediate Family Member or member of the Insured's household. "Immediate Family Member" means a Covered Person's spouse, child, brother, sister, parent, grandparent, or in-laws.
- expenses incurred during travel for purposes of seeking medical care or treatment, or for any other travel that is not in the course of the Participating Organization's activity (unless Personal Deviations are specifically covered).
- medical expenses for which the Covered Person would not be responsible to pay for in the absence of the Policy. Expenses incurred for services provided by any government Hospital or agency, or government sponsored-plan for which, and to the extent that, the Covered Person is eligible for reimbursement.
- any treatment provided under any mandatory government program or facility set up for treatment without cost to any individual.
- custodial care.
- services or expenses incurred in the Covered Person's Home Country.
- elective treatment, exams or surgery; elective termination of pregnancy.
- expenses for services, treatment or surgery deemed to be experimental and which are not recognized and generally accepted medical practices in the United States.
- expenses payable by any automobile insurance policy without regard to fault.
- organ or tissue transplants and related services.
- Any expense paid or payable by any other valid and collectible group insurance plan.
- Injury or Sickness for which benefits are paid or payable under any Workers' Compensation or Occupational Disease Law or Act, or similar legislation, whether United States federal or foreign law.
- Injury sustained while participating in club, intramural, intercollegiate, interscholastic, professional or semi-professional sports.
- Injury caused by or resulting from travel in or on any off-road motorized vehicle not requiring licensing as a motor vehicle, or a motor vehicle not designed primarily for use on public streets or highways.
- Injury resulting from off-road motorcycling; mountain climbing (where ropes or guides are used); sky diving; amateur automobile racing; automobile racing or automobile speed contests; bungee jumping; spelunking; white water rafting; surfing; or parasailing.

In addition to the Policy Exclusions, We will not pay Personal Property and Financial Instrument Reimbursement, Benefit(s) for:

- loss or damage due to:
  - i. moth, vermin, insects, or other animals; wear and tear; atmospheric or climatic conditions; or gradual deterioration or defective materials or craftsmanship;
  - ii. mechanical or electrical failure;
  - iii. any process of cleaning, restoring, repairing, or alteration.
- more than a reasonable proportion of the total value of the set where the loss or damaged article is part of a set or pair.
- devaluation of currency or shortages due to errors or omissions during monetary transactions.
- any loss not reported to either the police or transport carrier within 24 hours of discovery.
- any loss due to confiscation or detention by customs or any other authority.
- electronic equipment or devices including, but not limited to: cellular telephones; citizen band radios; tape players; radar detectors; radios and other sound reproducing or receiving equipment; PDAs; BlackBerrys; laptop computers; and handheld computers.

If We determine the benefits paid under this Policy are eligible benefits under any other benefit plan, We may seek to recover any expenses covered by another plan to the extent that the Insured is eligible for reimbursement.

This insurance does not apply to the extent that trade or economic sanctions or other laws or regulations prohibit us from providing insurance, including, but not limited to, the payment of claims.

## **Claims Provisions**

**Notice Of Claim:** A claimant must give Us or Our authorized representative written (or authorized electronic or telephonic) notice of claim within 90 days after any loss covered by the Policy occurs. If notice cannot be given within that time, it must be given as soon as reasonably possible. This notice should identify the Covered Person and the Policy Number.

**Claim Forms:** Upon receiving written notice of claim, We will send claim forms to the claimant within 15 days. If We do not furnish such claim forms, the claimant will satisfy the requirements of written proof of loss by sending the written (or authorized electronic or telephonic) proof as shown below. The proof must describe the occurrence, extent, and nature of the loss.

**Proof Of Loss:** Written (or authorized electronic or telephonic) proof of loss must be sent to the agent authorized to receive it. Written (or authorized electronic or telephonic) proof must be given within 90 days after the date of loss. If it cannot be provided within that time, it should be sent as soon as reasonably possible. In no event, except in the absence of legal capacity, should proof of loss be sent later than one year from the time proof is otherwise required.

**Claimant Cooperation Provision:** Failure of a claimant to cooperate with Us in the administration of a claim may result in the termination of a claim. Such cooperation includes, but is not limited to, providing any information or documents needed to determine whether benefits are payable or the actual benefit amount due.

**Time Payment Of Claims:** Any benefits due will be paid when We receive written (or authorized electronic or telephonic) proof of loss.

**Payment Of Claims:** If the Insured dies, any death benefits or other benefits unpaid at the time of the Insured's death will be paid to the beneficiary. If no beneficiary is on record with Us or Our authorized agent, payment will be made to the Insured's estate.

All other benefits will be paid to the Insured. If the Insured is: (1) a minor; or (2) in Our opinion unable to give a valid release because of incompetence, We may pay any amount due to a parent, guardian, or other person actually supporting him or her. Any payment made in good faith will end Our liability to the extent of the payment.

If a Covered Loss is suffered by a Covered Person who resides outside of the United States, its territories and possessions and in a Country where the Company is not permitted to provide insurance without a License, the Company will pay benefits under the Policy to the Policyholder, who:

1. will hold such payment in trust for the sole use and benefit of the insured person or his or her beneficiary or other person to whom such benefits are payable ("Payee"); and
2. will remit such payment to the Payee in accordance with applicable law.

Any such payment the Company makes to the Policyholder is a full discharge of the Company's liability for the claim for which payment is made.

"Country" includes any political jurisdiction that independently regulates the licensing of insurance companies.

"License" or "Licensed" means with respect to any Country, authorized or otherwise permitted in accordance with applicable law to conduct the business of accident and sickness insurance in such Country.

**Assignment:** We may pay benefits directly to any Hospital or person rendering covered services, unless the Covered Person requests otherwise in writing no later than the time he or she submits written proof of loss. Any payment made in good faith will end our liability to the extent of the payment.

**Physical Examinations And Autopsy:** We have the right to have a Doctor of Our choice examine the Covered Person as often as is reasonably necessary. This section applies when a claim is pending or while benefits are being paid. We also have the right to request an autopsy in the case of death, unless the law forbids it. We will pay the cost of the examination or autopsy.

**Legal Actions:** No lawsuit or action in equity can be brought to recover on this Policy: (1) before 60 days following the date proof of loss was given to Us; or (2) after 3 years following the date proof of loss is required.

## **Claims Procedure**

In the event a covered loss occurs or You receive medical Treatment, please submit an itemized bill, that has been translated into English, along with the amount paid (in U.S. dollars) to the claims company listed below within 90 days of the covered loss or Treatment or as soon as reasonably possible. We suggest that You keep a copy of the information You submit for Your records.

Health Special Risk, Inc.  
HSR Plaza, 4100 Medical Parkway  
Carrollton, Texas 75007

**Phone:** 1-972-512-5600 or 1-866-523-3183, **Fax:** 1-972-512-5820

**Email:** [IPHECstudyabroad@hsri.com](mailto:IPHECstudyabroad@hsri.com)

## **Questions? Need More Information?**

For general information regarding enrollment or benefits, please contact:

Gallagher Student Health & Special Risk Toll free at 1-877-320-4347 or by going to [www.gallagherstudent.com/NIU](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/NIU) and clicking on the Customer Service Link.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

This policy provides travel insurance benefits for individuals traveling outside of their home country. This policy does not constitute comprehensive health insurance coverage (often referred to as “major medical coverage”) and does not satisfy a person’s individual obligation to secure the requirement of minimum essential coverage under the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

For more information about the ACA, please refer to [www.HealthCare.gov](http://www.HealthCare.gov).

This information provides a brief description of the important features of the insurance plan. It is not a contract of insurance. The terms and conditions of coverage are set forth in the policy issued in the state in which the policy was delivered under form number AH-15090. Complete details may be found in the policy on file at your school’s office. The policy is subject to the laws of the state in which it was issued. Please keep this information as a reference.