UHIP Exemption Process

UHIP exemptions are rarely approved for private/travel insurance plans as they do not offer as much coverage as UHIP ($1 million CAD) and because they often contain various coverage limitations and exclusions.

For this reason, **UHIP exemptions will only be considered if any of the following apply** (and by following the process as noted below based on your circumstance):

- **You have valid coverage in 1 of the following pre-approved plans:**
  - OHIP – the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (or any other Canadian provincial/territorial plan)
  - Embassy of the State of Kuwait GHIP Replacement
  - Embassy of Botswana – Student Program (Cowan contract G0020376)
  - Interim Federal Health Care Plan
  - Ciencia sem Fronteiras (Csf)
  - Saudi Arabian Cultural Bureau (SACB-HDP) Policy # 06614A
  - Libyan Embassy and Scholarship Program – Canada Policy # G0068002

  **To apply for an exemption from UHIP**, you must send your proof of health coverage to: uhip@queensu.ca with Subject of: Exemption + your student number within the first 45 days of the term only (deadlines are: Oct. 15 fall, Feb. 15 winter, June 15 summer).

  **Note**: your proof of coverage must clearly show the start and end dates of coverage or it will not be accepted and UHIP will remain. You should expect an email regarding the result of your application within 1 week.

- **You have diplomatic status**

  **To apply for an exemption from UHIP**, you must send your proof of health coverage to: uhip@queensu.ca with Subject of: Exemption (diplomat) + QU0 + your student number within the first 45 days of the term only (deadlines are: Oct. 15 fall, Feb. 15 winter, June 15 summer).

  **Note**: your proof of coverage must clearly show the start and end dates of coverage or it will not be accepted and UHIP will remain. You should expect an email regarding the result of your application within 1 week.

- **Your education is being sponsored by your government**

  **To apply for an exemption from UHIP**, you must send all of the following information in one email in English or French only:
  - A copy of your member identification card with start/end dates evident
  - A copy of the full health plan policy (that includes any noted exclusions or limitations)
    Send to: case.mgmt@sunlife.com (cc: uhip@queensu.ca) with Subject of: Exemption (sponsored) + QU0 + your student number within the first 45 days of the term only (deadlines are: Oct. 15 fall, Feb. 15 winter, June 15 summer).

  **Note**: Late requests or requests that do not include all information as outlined will not be considered.

Exemptions are only accepted under the conditions above and an application does not necessarily guarantee approval. After the timelines noted, UHIP fees/coverage are non-refundable. Alternate health plans do not qualify for an exemption from UHIP.