

## [Guide for International Students Subscribing to National Health Insurance]

1. Any international student staying in Korea without health insurance is subject to the mandatory subscription to the National health insurance of Korea from March 1, 2021. Even if an international student does not report to the National health Insurance Service(NHIS), NHIS automatically processes the registration. Students who are currently staying in Korea should check with the NHIS in March for insurance coverage(Tel. 1577-1000).

Visa Type	Enrollment Time
Overseas study(D-2)	First entry → Alien registration date
	Reentry → Reentry date
Overseas Korean students and foreign nationality Korean students	On the date of admission into a school(if a copy of the proof enrollment is submitted)

- ※ Before receiving the alien registration card, you can use National health insurance by issuing [외국인등록사실증명] from the immigration and foreign offices.

### 2. Contributions

- 1) Monthly contributions for international students for 2021: **KRW 43,490**(for those who subscribe on March 1) [Insurance rates may change every year by the NHIS]
  - 2) Contributions payment: The contribution for the next month is due by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the current month(prepayment)
    - Pay Method: Automatic transfer(from your bank account or credit card), website, NHIS brach office, bank
    - ① NHIS send bill (by mail) around 10<sup>th</sup> of each month to the address (ARC registration address) → If you do not receive mail, you may be overdue for insurance. Please contact NHIS to apply for a change so that you can receive the notice by e-mail or mobile in advance in early March.
    - ② Inquiry: Tel. (1577-1000)/ NHIS homepage ([www.nhis.or.kr](http://www.nhis.or.kr)),  
Mobile app (The건강보험, 모바일지로)
- ※ If you default on health insurance contributions, health insurance benefits are limited, and even if you pay the arrears in full later on, you will not be reimbursed for medical expenses retrospectively. Therefore, please be careful not to default on insurance contributions.

### 3. Insurance Benefits Available from the date of enrollment

1)(The same benefits as the Korean citizens) Various benefits are available, including dental and oriental medical treatment, health checkups, and pregnancy and childbirth-related medical expenses (National Haengbok Card)

※ The above is inapplicable to non-covered items, such as treatment for diseases that do not affect work or daily life (example: plastic surgery).

※ (Co-payment Rate) A person who receives medical care benefits bears part of the medical expenses as below.

- Outpatient Medical Services: 30%-60% of the NHI, covering expenses(varies by medical care institution type and area)

- Hospitalization Expenses: 20%

※ (General Health Checkups) For office worker, general health checkups are available biannually depending on your year of birth(Annually for non-office worker). For example, those born in an odd year can receive a general health checkup in 2021.

### 4. Disadvantages with Nonpayment of Contributions

1) (Restrictions on Health Insurance Benefits) Health Insurance benefits at medical care institutions are unavailable from the first day of the month following the payment deadline until the contribution is fully paid.

2) (Restrictions on Visa Extension) Your stay in Korea may not be extended by the Korea Immigration Service

--> (Exception) The restriction on visa extension does not apply if the contribution in arrears is less than KRW 500,000 or if other collection in arrears are less than KRW100,000.

3) (Dispositions on Default) The NHIS may demand payment by the specified period. Where a person fails to pay the insurance contributions by the specified period, compulsory collection procedures to seize his/her real estate, automobile, deposit, and so on may proceed.

→ The contributions in arrears may be paid in installments. The restriction on health insurance benefits will be lifted and made available once such installments are fully paid.

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### 5. National Health Insurance Exclusion Application

1)Please check with NHIS for detailed exception conditions.

2)Required Document: documents verifying that medical guarantee, such as applications for exclusion of membership, insurance certificates, etc. is available

- France: exclusion application(exclusion processes after checking Nationality)


- Japan: 본국(일본Japan)health insurance card , exclusion application

- U.S.A: 유니폼카드 또는 Blue Cross Blueshield insurance card, exclusion application

※ For documents in foreign languages, you can submit the original and Korean translation number together.(Apostille certification and translation notarization are not required.)

※ If you would like to apply for a subscription exception, please contact the NHIS (Tel. 1577-1000) first and prepare the documents.

**6. NHIS Center for Foreign Residents (Seoul and Metropolitan Area)**

Center Name	Jurisdiction Area	Center Information
서울센터	서울전역	
안산센터	안산,시흥,군포	
수원센터	수원,용인,화성,오산,성남	
인천센터	인천,부천,김포,광명	
의정부센터	의정부,남양주,가평,포천,동두천,연천,양주,구리,고양,파주	

**7. 문의/ Inquiry / 상담 Consultation**

<p><b>TEL. 1577-1000</b>          외국어 서비스 단축번호 7번          - Dial 7 for information on foreign languages</p>	<p><b>Tel. 033-811-2000</b>          외국어(영어,중국어,베트남어,우즈베크어)상담 가능          -Service in foreign languages(English, Chinese, Vietnamese and available)</p>
<p>※ 상담시간: 평일 오전9시~오후6시/ ※ Service Hours: 9:00am~6:00pm on weekdays</p>	

**8. Please refer to the attached file [NHIS information attached file 1~3].**