University of San Diego - International

2019-2020 Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)

Frequently Asked Questions
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“How do I…?”

Log in
2. On the top right corner of the screen, click “Student Login.”
3. Follow the login instructions.

Waive
If your current insurance plan is comparable to the SHIP:
2. On the left toolbar, click “Student Waive.”
3. Log in by following the instructions on the website (if you haven't already).
4. Click the “I want to Enroll/Waive” button.
5. Follow the instructions to complete the form.
6. Save a copy of your reference number. This number only confirms submission, not approval of your form.

Edit my Form after it’s submitted
If it is before the waiver/enrollment deadline:
2. Log in (if you haven’t already) by following the instructions on the website.
3. On the left toolbar, click “View My Submitted Forms.”
4. Select the form you want to edit.
5. Update the form as needed.
6. Click “Submit Edit.”

After the waiver/enrollment deadline, forms cannot be edited. Please contact Customer Service if you have any issues.

Obtain an ID card
ID cards are usually available 5-7 business days after your eligibility is confirmed.
2. Choose your school name from the drop-down box.
3. Click the purple icon that says “Get your ID card.”
4. Enter your Student ID number and date of birth, then click “Submit” to generate your ID card.
5. Note: This process will only allow access to your ID card. In order to obtain access to claim information and tax documents, you will need to create a User Account using the “Your Member

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Print a Verification Letter
Verification Letters are usually available 5-7 business days after your eligibility is confirmed.

7. On the left toolbar, click “Account Home.”
8. Log in by following the instructions on the website (if you haven’t already).
9. You will be redirected to the “Account Home” page, then click on “Verification Letter” under “Coverage History.”

View my account information
2. Log in by following the instructions on the website (if you haven’t already).
3. On the left toolbar, under “My Account,” click on “Authorize Account.”

Change my address
2. On the left toolbar, click “Customer Service.”
3. Under the “Choose Help Topic” dropdown, select “Address Change.”
4. Complete the required fields.
5. Click “Submit.”
Make sure you also notify your school of your address change.

Find a Doctor
1. Go to www.gallagherstudent.com/uspdi and on the left toolbar click on “Find a Doctor.”
2. Click on the Green ‘Search for Provider’ button.
3. Enter your location and click ‘Search’.
4. Select ‘OA Managed Choice POS’ under ‘Student Health Medical Plans in California’.
5. Search for your provider or select a a category for a list of providers.

Find a Participating Pharmacy
Go to www.gallagherstudent.com/uspdi and on the left toolbar click on “Pharmacy Program.”

Insurance Plan Benefits

What benefits does the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) provide?
The SHIP is fully compliant with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and all other federal and state mandates. It pays for a variety of medical services, including hospital room and board, inpatient and outpatient surgical...
procedures, labs and x-rays, chemotherapy and radiation, inpatient and outpatient mental health services, physician office visits, consultant visits, ambulance, emergency care and prescription drugs. It also covers intercollegiate sports injuries the same as any other injury.

It covers preventive care services at no cost when you use in-network providers which includes routine physicals and examinations, screenings, GYN examinations, and most immunizations.

It pays for 100% of your medical fees when you use in-network providers. This is the advantage to using in-network providers. When you use out-of-network providers the insurance is less which means your potential out-of-pocket costs are more. There may be copayments and deductibles you'll be responsible for paying.

**Need more information about your plan?** Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint).

**Other features of the SHIP:**

- It has a $300 per policy deductible for in-network medical services. This deductible is waived when first seeking care from USD Student Wellness services and receiving a referral.
- It has a $600 per policy deductible for out-of-network medical services.
- For prescription drugs from participating pharmacies, you will pay:
  - a $15 copay for a 30-day supply of a generic drug
  - a $30 copay for a 30-day supply of a preferred brand name drug
  - a $50 copay for a 30-day supply of a non-preferred brand name drug
- The Student Health Insurance Plan network is an Open Access Managed Choice POS, which provides coverage throughout the United States and beyond. This type of plan is the same plan Aetna offers as a PPO plan, however the state of California requires the plan be referred to as an Open Access plan.
- Note: in some cases, your doctor must get permission from the insurance company before prescribing a drug. You can see which drugs require preapproval by visiting your school’s page at [www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint).

**Does the plan include dental and/or vision benefits?**
If you’re 19 or younger, you can get preventive dental and vision benefits with this plan. For details, refer to your SHIP brochure or certificate.

**More information about your dental and vision options**
To enroll in a voluntary dental plan plan (at an additional cost), go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/dental](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/dental). A vision option is also available. The types of plans and availability of plans vary by state.

**How much does the SHIP cost?**
Do I need a referral from USD Student Wellness Services to see an off-campus health provider?

No, you don’t need a referral. However, the in-network $300 deductible is waived when a referral to an off-campus in-network provider is made. Seeking care or advice first from on-campus USD Student Wellness services is a good idea. Student Wellness can connect you to valuable on-campus services or refer you to providers they know off-campus. For more information, visit USD’s Student Wellness services’ website at: http://www.sandiego.edu/healthcenter/.

Am I still covered if I live off campus or I’m traveling or studying abroad?

Yes, your plan covers you wherever you are - during semester breaks and summer vacation. This is true even if you’re traveling or studying abroad. As long as you’re enrolled in SHIP and you paid your premiums, you’ll be covered.

More information about off-campus, travel and study abroad

In addition to being covered for medical treatment and services, your plan also offers 24-hour Worldwide Travel Assistance which includes services ranging from a lost passport to helping with emergency medical assistance or arranging for emergency medical evacuation or repatriation of remains. It’s important to contact On Call International to make the arrangements for you, so contact them before making arrangements on your own. If you don’t contact them first, these services will not be covered. Please see the Important Contact Information section on page 9 to contact On Call International.

Other information about seeking medical care abroad:

- Always keep your SHIP ID card with you.
- Save a copy of the plan brochure and/or bookmark your student health website.
- If you get sick while abroad, you will likely need to pay for your care first and then submit bills for reimbursement. Your covered expenses will likely be considered an out-of-network expense.
- Before you submit claims for reimbursement, have the itemized bill(s) translated into English. Also include a letter informing the claims administrator you already paid for the healthcare service and need to be reimbursed.
- Write your name, ID number, address, and school name are on your bill(s). This will help the claims company process your reimbursement request correctly and promptly.

Does the plan still cover me after I graduate?

If you graduate in the fall, you will be removed from the Student Health Insurance Plan for the remainder of the annual policy. Do not attempt to use the SHIP after January 31. If you graduate in the spring or summer, you will be covered until July 31, 2019.
Eligibility, Enrollment & Waiving

Am I eligible for student health insurance?
All full-time International and English Language Academy students are automatically enrolled in the Student Health Insurance Plan at registration. If you are currently insured by a plan that provides comparable coverage, you may waive coverage under the Student Health Insurance Plan.

You must actively attend classes for at least the first 31 days after your policy begins. Home-study, correspondence, and online courses do not fulfill this requirement.

Can I enroll my eligible dependents?
The SHIP does not provide dependent coverage.

What should I know before waiving coverage?
Before waiving coverage, review your current policy and then consider these questions:

• Does your plan comply with the Affordable Care Act? (See the FAQ, “What do you mean by ‘comparable coverage’?”)
• Will your current plan cover medical care beyond emergency services (i.e. doctor’s office visits, diagnostic testing, x-rays, prescription drugs, mental health, etc.) on- and off-campus?
• Does your plan have doctors and hospitals near campus?
• If you plan to travel elsewhere during the course of the year, does your coverage also extend to these areas?
• Is the annual cost of the SHIP less expensive than the cost of being added as a dependent to your parents’ plan? Be sure to compare deductibles and total out-of-pocket costs, not just the annual premium.
• Does your current plan call for administrative pre-requirements, pre-certification, or primary-care physician referrals? Keep in mind that physician referrals may delay your access to treatment.

More information about waiving coverage
• If you don’t complete a waiver form by the published deadline, you will be automatically enrolled into the Student Health Insurance Plan and responsible for the premium charged to your USD Student Account.
• Once you meet eligibility, you are enrolled for the remainder of the policy and can’t waive later in the year.
• If you decide to waive coverage, you won’t have another opportunity to enroll in SHIP until the following plan year unless you experience a qualifying event.
• You should submit an online decision form, whether enrolling or waiving.

What do you mean by “comparable coverage”?
If you decide to opt out of the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP), you must be insured by a plan that provides comparable coverage. This means it must comply with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and meet or
exceed the benefits provided through the SHIP. Your plan must have participating providers and cover a range of services in and around the geographic area where you attend school. Services should include, but aren’t limited to:

- Preventive and non-urgent care
- Emergency care
- Surgical care
- Inpatient and outpatient hospitalization
- Lab work
- Diagnostic x-rays
- Physical therapy
- Chiropractic care
- Prescription drugs
- Mental health and substance abuse treatment

More information about “comparable coverage”
If your current plan is an HMO, your coverage will likely be limited—or not available—outside of your HMO’s service area. As a result, it probably will not be considered a “comparable” plan.

Confused about waiving the SHIP coverage? Before deciding what to do, compare your current health insurance plan to the SHIP coverage. Consider your possible out-of-pocket costs—deductibles, copays, coinsurance and out-of-pocket maximums. You may find your current plan’s out-of-pocket costs to be higher than what you’ll pay for the SHIP. Choosing to enroll in the SHIP may be financially beneficial.

Non-comparable health plans include:

- Those that only provide emergency services
- International plans (includes plans not filed in the US)
- Travel insurance plans
- Health care sharing plans
- Plans from insurance companies not located within the United States
- Prescription discount plans

Will you audit or verify my waiver request?
Yes, we will audit or verify your request. This is to make sure your insurance plan will cover you when you’re at school.

More information about our waiver review process
Here’s how our waiver review process works:

- We check the insurance company information you entered on your form to make sure it’s accurate and that your coverage is active.

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We verify most waiver requests within 24 to 48 hours.

Once we verify your coverage, we’ll let you know whether we approved your waiver via an email to the address you provided on your form. If we deny your request, we’ll tell you why and we’ll also guide you should you wish to revise and resubmit your form and supporting documentation.

Our waiver verification process is new this year. As a result, it’s possible we’ll no longer accept your prior waiver (and submitted insurance).

**If I waive, but then lose coverage, can I enroll in the SHIP?**
Yes, if you waive and then lose coverage under that plan (called a qualifying event), you may submit a Petition to Add request. The form can be found on your schools’s page at [www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint). Make sure you read the form carefully as it contains very specific information on the Petition to Add process. You will not have a break in coverage if the Petition to Add form and applicable documents are received within 31 days of your qualifying event. If the Petition to Add form and required documentation are not received within 31 days of your qualifying event, the effective date will be the date this form and applicable documentation are received at Gallagher Student Health.

**How do recent changes to the Affordable Care Act affect the SHIP?**
The Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) fully complies with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Being ACA compliant means your plan offers essential health benefits which includes certain preventive services such as annual physical and gynecology exams and some immunizations. It also covers pre-existing conditions without any waiting period.

There is no longer a federal tax penalty for not having health insurance, but the mandate to have health insurance remains. There are some states that have kept a state tax penalty for not having health insurance as well as having additional insurance requirements.

If you are under the age of 26, you may be eligible to enroll as a dependent on your family’s employer/group health insurance plan. Contact that plan for more information.

**Once I’m enrolled in the SHIP, can I cancel it? Can I get a refund?**
Once you’re enrolled in the SHIP, you will remain enrolled in it for that coverage period. You have no option to terminate it.

**Plan Enhancements**

**How to enhance the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)**
You can enhance the SHIP by accessing several products available exclusively from Gallagher Student Health & Special Risk. They include:

- Basix Dental Savings Program—provides an exclusive discount arrangement, which can save you 20% to 50% off the cost of dental care.
- EyeMed Vision Care Program—allows you to receive discounted services at participating EyeMed providers.
Gallagher Student Health now gives you access to SilverCloud, an online behavioral health platform that provides behavioral health care and support for enrolled students. The platform delivers clinically proven, evidenced-based content, programs, and support for depression, anxiety, and stress. To learn more about your plan enhancements, visit [www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint) and then click on the “Discounts and Wellness” link.

**What other types of insurance are available?**

Personal property and renters Insurance is available to students on- or off-campus, at home, or abroad. It covers damage or theft to laptops, cell phones, books, electronics, and much more. For details, go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/property](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/property).

Please visit [www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint) and click on the “Other Insurance Products” link for complete details about additional insurance products and how to enroll.

### Important Contact Information

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| Enrollment, coverage, or ID cards      | Gallagher Student Health & Special Risk     | 500 Victory Road
Quincy, MA 02171
Website: [www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint)
click the ‘Customer Service’ link |
| Benefits, claims, and claims payments  | Aetna Student Health                        | Aetna Student Health
PO Box 981106
El Paso, TX 79998
Phone: 1-866-746-6590
Website: [www.aetnastudenthealth.com](http://www.aetnastudenthealth.com) |
| Preferred providers                    | Aetna Preferred Provider Network            | Phone: 1-866-618-0028
Website: [www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint)
click ‘Find a Doctor’ |
| Participating pharmacies               | Aetna Pharmacy Network                      | Phone: 1-866-618-0028
Website: [www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/usdint)
click ‘Pharmacy Program’ |
| Tax forms                              | Aetna Student Health                        | Aetna Student Health
PO Box 981106
El Paso, TX 79998
Phone: 1-866-746-6590
Website: [www.aetnastudenthealth.com](http://www.aetnastudenthealth.com) |
| Voluntary Dental                       | Ameritas Dental                             | Phone: 1-855-672-3232 |
| Gallagher Student Health Plan          | EyeMed (Discount Vision), Basix (Dental Savings), and CampusFit | EyeMed
Phone: 1-866-839-3633
Website: [www.enrollwitheyemed.com](http://www.enrollwitheyemed.com) |
| Enhancements                           |                                             | Basix and CampusFit
Phone: 1-888-274-9961
Websites: [www.basixstudent.com](http://www.basixstudent.com) and [www.basix.com](http://www.basix.com) |

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