NHIS Center for Foreign Residents Guide

Scope of business (visitation base)

- Even the business out of the table below, a competent branch office shall handle.
- Regarding other service via phone, fax, etc., not visitation, a competent branch office shall handle.
- Customer center shall be limited by the business scope(s) of the center (transfer of control, qualification, and imposition task (call transfer service).

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* △: (Center) Receiving applications and transmitting to a branch office.
  (in a branch office) post management such as computer registration and payment etc.

Introducing NHIS Center for Foreign Residents

To provide health insurance service for foreign residents promptly and professionally, National Health Insurance Service is running NHIS centers for Foreign Residents.

Who: foreigners and Korean nationals abroad residing in Seoul
Business: services relating qualification and imposition of a locally insured person and a dependent of workplace via visit
Location: 3rd fl., Office-bldg., (not Arcade bldg.), 97, Saenal-ro, Guro-gu, Seoul

Directions

By subway
- Exit No. 3, Sindorim str., Line No.1 & 2
  - Connected to 1st basement level, Sindorim Techromart (Office bldg., direction, not Arcade bldg.)

By bus
- Get off a bus at Sindorim str.
  - Bus No. 5419, 6411, 6511, 6511, 8 & 84 from Yeongdeungpo(01, 08, 09, 12, 13)

By vehicle
- Underground parking lot
  - Free parking within 30 mins. (3hrs, extension is available upon confirmation at a desk on 1st fl.)

033-811-2000 (Multi-language service available: English, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Uyghur)
1577-1000 (Press 8 for foreign language service after calling the number)

Working hours 09:00 ~ 18:00, weekdays
The Health Insurance benefits

National Health Insurance Service benefits are same as Koreans.
National Health Insurance Service pays approx. 40~70% of outpatient medical costs and approx. 80% of inpatient medical expenses.

- The Corporation pays 90% of medical expenses to cancer, cerebrovascular disease, and heart disease and 90% of medical expense to rare diseases and serious incurable diseases.
- Medical examination: general medical exam, infant medical exam, cervical cancer exam, colon cancer exam. 

- Stomach cancer, liver cancer, breast cancer, and lung cancer - The Corporation pays 90% (National cancer screening subjects are free of charge)

How to use a hospital or clinic (outpatient)

Acceptance
- Presenting GIC
- Medical exam, by doctor
- Payment
- Visit a pharmacy & payment
- Submitting the Rx
- Check whether you are a subject to the exam.
- Receipt from the Corporation
- Phone confirmation (1577-1000)
- Exam. Result notification
- Presentation of a Certificate of Alien Registration

Process of a medical exam.

Reservation & waiting
- Reservation
- Exam. Result notification

Notice

In cases of staying period ended or staying out of Korea more than 1 month, it shall be disqualified.
However, if a person, eligible to stay, who has last one’s insurance qualification due to departure from Korea within 6 months and pays the insurance premium calculated as one-person household during the departure, including the following month’s premium qualification may be given again from the reentry date.

Various disadvantages shall be given against insurance premium defaults as below.
Up to 5% of arrears shall be added until full payment.
Income, Properties, and deposits etc., may be seized on nonpayment.
From the 1st day of the following month, insurance benefits shall be limited until full payment.

On a medical treatment, insurance benefits shall be limited: refund on a medical exam shall not be made during terms of embargo.
By sharing arrears information with Ministry of Justice, stay permission etc. of foreigners in arrears may be limited.

Please bring your ID card (foreigner registration card, etc.) for accurate consultation.

* If you don’t have an ID card, you can’t be consulted as your identity cannot be verified.

Information on health insurance joining for foreigners and Korean nationals abroad staying in Korea more than 6 months

After 6 months from the date of your 1st entry into Korea, you might be joined the health insurance.
- In a case of exceeding 30 days out of Korea due to two or more departures in 6 months, it reckons from every 1st day of each month again for reckoning.
- In a case of staying out of Korea for more than 1 month at a time, reentry date shall be regarded as 1st entry date for reckoning.
- Permanent residency(≥9), Non-professional Employment(≥3), Marriage migrant(≥3), Full-time degree/Exchange program(12) 1st date of entry
- Alien Registration date(last initial date of entry)
- Newborn baby born in Korea 
- Difficult determination of insurance holders

Households consisting foreigners or Korean nationals abroad only can be unified also.
Spouses and children under the age of 19 of the household with same domicile or residence.
(including children of spouses)

Certification standard of documents to confirm family relations abroad
- Documents confirmed by Ministry of Foreign Affairs (or Apostille) from issuing countries (including Korean translation)
- Documents (including notarized translation) from diplomatic offices abroad in Korea
- Birth certificate (Birth in Korea)

Terms of documents validity
- Documents from the land of citizenship: 9 months of validity from the issuing date or confirming date of documents 3 months validity for domestic documents

Insurance premium shall be calculated same as Koreans; average insurance premium shall be charged when below the average.
As of November of previous year, average premium of entire insurance policy holders shall be applied from January to December year.
- A recognized refugee(≥9) and his/her family(≥1-15), One-person household under the age of 19
- More than minimum premium shall be charged.
- Permanent residency(≥9), Marriage migrant(≥3) 
- Insurance premium shall be assessed and notified on the basis as Koreans

Insurance premium reduction
- Students(≥2), General training(≥2), Korean students abroad(≥9), Oversea Korean students(≥10) 50%
- Religion(≥6), Miscellaneous(≥1) Humanitarian status(≥1) 30%
- Residing in an island & remote area 22% Residing in an agricultural and fishing village area
- When a household unit income(below 3,000,000 KRW) and property prerequisites below 130,000,000 KRW met simultaneously, a reduction rate will be up to 50% (Excluding students, etc.)

Prepaid insurance premium shall be paid by 25th of each month.
- NHI Centers for Foreign Residents accept pre-credit card or through kiosk.
- Self-funded card fees 0.9% for credit cards 0.9% for check cards
- Full payment by automatic withdrawal. 100 KRW shall be deducted 100 KRW deduction on receiving email bills
- Virtual account payment, available via telephone service 1577-1000 without bills.