

ALBERTA HEALTH CARE INFORMATION

As of January 2009, basic provincial health care coverage through Alberta Health Care (AHC) is available without cost to residents of Alberta who have legal right to remain in Canada, who make Alberta his/her permanent residence, and is present in Alberta at least twelve months.

This applies to individuals, their spouses and dependents who have study permits and/or work permits for at least twelve months. This does not apply to individuals on a visitor permit status in Canada.

For an extensive list of AHC eligibility criteria please visit: <http://www.health.alberta.ca/AHCIP/temporary-residents.html>

Eligible applicants must submit an application to enter into the AHC program. Account holders must also register spouses and any other dependents on their accounts. Dependents include: children under 21 years of age who are wholly dependent on his/her parents **or** children under 25 years of age who are enrolled in three or more courses at an accredited educational institute. Proof of enrolment in an education institute may be requested by AHC.

1. In order to process an application for AHC Insurance Plan Coverage, applicants **must include: Alberta Health Care Application form**. You can download it from: <http://www.health.alberta.ca/AHCIP/forms.html>
2. **Proof of Identity:** Must be government issued identification which shows your photo, name and birthdate (i.e. passport)
3. **Legal Entitlement to be or remain in Canada:** Must be ID which shows your name and birthdate. For example the Canadian entry documents such as the Canadian study permit or work permit.
4. **Alberta Residency:** A document which shows name and current Alberta address, which must be the same as on the application. Some examples are: rental agreement contract, bank account statement, utilities or cell phone bill.

Supporting documents check list can be found at: <http://www.health.alberta.ca/AHCIP/how-to-register.html>

After completing the AHCIP application form, take it to the registry agent office along with your supporting documents or mail it to: Alberta Health, PO Box 1360 Stn Main, Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2N3

Where to register: <http://www.health.alberta.ca/AHCIP/registration-locations.html>

For more information please refer to: <http://www.health.alberta.ca/health-care-insurance-plan.html>