
Health Insurance & Medical Care

Health Insurance

All insured incoming students (including EHIC cardholders) have an access to urgent, state-provided healthcare during their stay in the Czech Republic. To obtain relevant medical treatment, you have to register your EHIC blue card at one of the Czech health insurance providers.

Všeobecná zdravotní pojišťovna (VZP) is recommended as the largest health care provider in the Czech Republic with the highest number of cooperating doctors. The VZP is also the only insurance provider available for citizens from countries outside EU/EFTA. You can register at any branch of VZP (For example, the branch Na Perštýně 6, 110 00 Praha 1 is located directly in the city centre). Please keep in mind to register as soon as possible after your arrival. You can proceed to the VZP registration process under this [link](#).

After showing the EHIC card or a confirmation that substitutes the card, the health insurance company will immediately issue a registration document with a registration number with a Czech health insurance company. Later, if you need to see a doctor, take this document along with the EHIC card.

We highly recommended to register your EHIC card as soon as possible after arrival and do not wait until you are not feeling well.

Special insurance offer for international students

In cooperation with Pojišťovna VZP, a.s. (PVZP), Charles University offers to its international students a tailored product to ease the insurance process and provide high-quality, reliable health care coverage. All that with a student discount and extra benefits.

The **Foreigners Comprehensive Medical Insurance EXCLUSIVE** meets all legal requirements and even offers an extended range of services covering emergency care in the entire Schengen area. It is the first commercial medical insurance for foreigners that is completely identical in its scope to public medical insurance in the Czech Republic. The insurance covers even pre-existing conditions, provided they are disclosed at the time of the arrangement (conditions apply).

Key information about the insurance offer

Eligibility	Charles University degree and exchange students including PhD candidates under 35 years of age and students of language and preparatory courses
Duration	4 to 60 months
Coverage	Care equivalent to the Czech public health insurance (limit CZK 10 million), Schengen emergency care (limit CZK 2 million), urgent dental treatment (limit CZK 10,000), repatriation and transfer included
Premium limit	Included free of charge
Student Discount	20% off standard rates (subject to medical screening in certain cases)
How to enrol	Online (using this unique link) or via PVZP sales representatives (for students over 30 or with pre-existing conditions)
Questions and contacts	If you are under 30 years old , contact Marcela Řádová and/or Adam Tesař If you are over 30 or with pre-existing conditions , contact PVZP sales representatives

If the student has a pre-existing medical condition, the discount may be withdrawn and the premium adjusted. In such cases, online enrolment is not possible.

Note: This is a non-exclusive offer. Students are free to choose any insurance provider that complies with Czech legislation. In case you decide to choose another provider or package, please ensure that the product includes all key services such as dental care, gynecological examinations, psychological assistance, diagnostics and more, based on your individual needs. Careful consideration of your health insurance can save you worries, money, and ensure a peaceful stay during your studies in the Czech Republic.

Medical Care

In the Czech Republic, non-prescription drugs and medicines are sold only in pharmacies. They are not available at supermarkets, as in many West European countries. Pharmacies may be recognised by the prominent green cross-displayed over the shop-front. Many have staff who can speak English or German, and are used to offering advice to tourists (especially in the city centres). However, if you are not able to get to the pharmacy for any reason, you can use one of the delivery services as [Rohlik.cz](https://www.rohlik.cz)

Further information about the medical care can be found [here](#) .