



MEDICAL INSURANCE FOR J EXCHANGE VISITORS AND THEIR ACCOMPANYING J EXCHANGE VISITOR FAMILY MEMBERS

The U.S. Department of State 'J' Exchange Visitor regulations mandates all 'J' Exchange Visitors (J-1 and/or J-2) maintain valid major medical, repatriation of remains, and medical evacuation insurance during the period of 'J' status. The minimum mandatory insurance coverage required for each 'J' (J-1 and/or J-2) during the period of 'J' status must be:

Major Medical Coverage:	\$50,000	per person, per accident or illness
Repatriation of Remains:	\$ 7,500	
Medical Evacuation:	\$10,000	
Deductible not to exceed \$500 per accident or illness		

NOTE: Willful failure to comply with this requirement will result in the termination of the exchange visitor's program. To avoid termination of 'J' sponsorship, it is critical that this mandatory compliance requirement be met.

This requirement may be fulfilled by 1) purchasing the UT System Student Medical Insurance Plan; 2) enrolling in the UT System Employee Health Plan (if eligible) and purchasing the medical evacuation and repatriation insurance from the UT System Student Medical Insurance plan; and/or, 3) purchasing comparable alternative coverage.

Single individuals who chose to purchase the **UT System Student Medical Insurance Plan** should be prepared to pay at least \$1,100.00 per year. A spouse can expect to pay at least \$3,203.00 per year. Dependent children may expect to pay at least, \$1,730.00 per child/per year. Costs are subject to increase. Repatriation and Medical evacuation annual coverage is \$75.00 per person per year.

The UT System Medical Insurance Plan is available to all J-1 visa holders and their dependents, regardless of their 'J' status as a student. 'J' Student will be automatically enrolled in the UT System Student Medical Insurance plan at the time of registration, unless evidence of comparable coverage has been furnished and a waiver obtained. The charge for this coverage will appear as a required fee on the Student's fee bill. Coverage for dependents is also available but will not automatically be billed to student's fee bill.

Individuals who are employed by The University for at least 20 hours per week may be eligible for coverage under the **UT System Employee Health Plan**; however, medical insurance coverage may not be immediate upon employment and thus, you may be required to purchase medical insurance for the period not covered. Eligible employees may expect to pay \$92 per month for themselves, \$267 per month for the spouse and \$144 per month for children.

In addition, although UT Employee Health Insurance meets the minimum requirement for medical coverage, the employee medical coverage (health plan) does not provide medical evacuation or repatriation coverage. Thus, medical evacuation and repatriation insurance must be purchased separately. Repatriation and Medical evacuation annual coverage is \$75.00 per person per year

The obligation to secure and maintain the mandatory 'J' insurance is the responsibility of the 'J' Exchange Visitor and/or 'J' Exchange Visitor Dependents. 'J' visitors will be required to provide proof of insurance which meets the standards specified in the Exchange Visitor program regulations, 22 CF Part 62.14.

