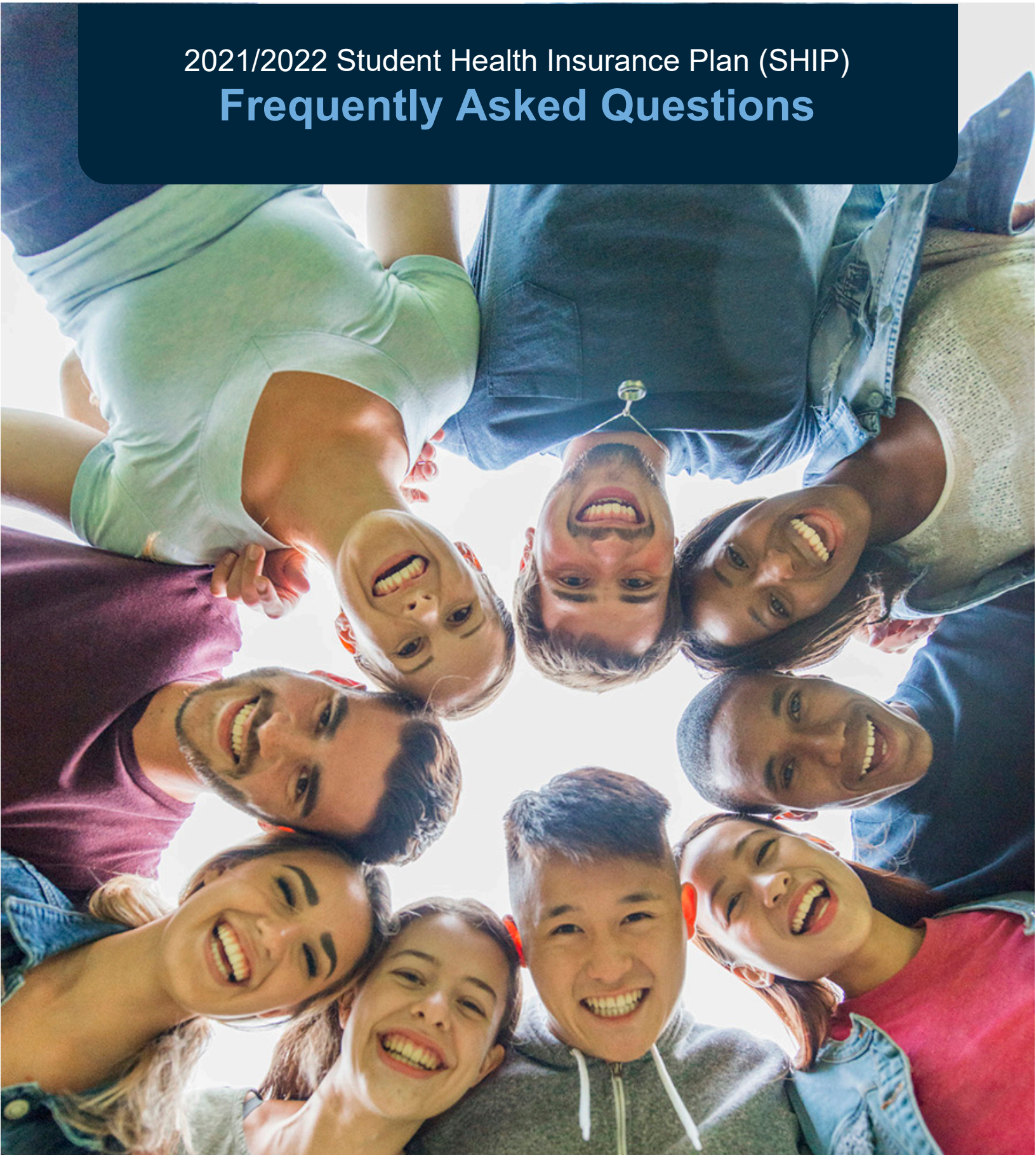


2021/2022 Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)  
**Frequently Asked Questions**



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## Getting Started

### Q Where can I learn about the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)?

A Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop).

### Q How do I log in?

A 1. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and login with your Pacific credentials.

## Enrolling in my SHIP

### Q Am I eligible for student health insurance?

A Law School Students: All degree seeking Law School students on the Sacramento campus enrolled in 6 or more units are required to have health insurance. You will be automatically enrolled in and billed for the Student Health Insurance Plan unless proof of comparable coverage is received by the published deadline.

Undergraduate & Pharmacy D Students: Undergraduate & Pharmacy D students on all campuses enrolled in 9 or more units are required to have health insurance. You will be automatically enrolled in and billed for the Student Health Insurance Plan unless proof of comparable coverage is received by the published deadline.

Graduate/Professional Students: All Graduate/Professional Students on all campuses enrolled in 1 unit or more are required to have health insurance. You will be automatically enrolled in and billed for the Student Health Insurance Plan unless proof of comparable coverage is received by the published deadline.

Dental Students (not including Dental Hygiene): All Dental School students on the San Francisco campus enrolled in 1 unit or more are required to have health insurance. You will be automatically enrolled in and billed for the Student Health Insurance Plan unless proof of comparable coverage is received by the published deadline.

Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) Residents: All AEGD Residents based out of the San Francisco campus and/or practicing in Union City are required to have health insurance. You will be automatically enrolled in and billed for the Student Health Insurance Plan unless proof of comparable coverage is received by the published deadline.

International Students: All International students taking 1 or more units, regardless of class level and program on all campuses are required to have health insurance. You will be automatically enrolled in and billed for the Student Health Insurance Plan unless proof of comparable coverage is received by the published deadline.

Online students and students in external programs are not eligible to enroll in the Student Health Insurance Plan.

Students must actively attend classes for at least the first 45 days after the effective date of the period for which coverage is purchased. Students on an approved Leave of Absence (LOA) who were enrolled in at least one semester immediately preceding their LOA can enroll in a max of one semester at the regular semester rate

(non-continuation term). Students may NOT purchase coverage for the following semester unless they meet UOP's eligibility requirements

Only students who graduate, withdraw, or drop out AFTER the first 45 days from the start of the term, can purchase continuation coverage.

**Q How do I enroll?**

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1. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and log in using your Pacific credentials
  2. Click the "Enroll" button under "Plan Summary".
  3. Follow the instructions to complete the form.
  4. Save a copy of your reference number.

**Q How do I enroll my dependents?**

- A. This plan does not offer coverage for your dependents.

**Q Once enrolled, can I cancel? Get a refund?**

- A Once you're enrolled in SHIP, you will remain enrolled in it for that coverage period. You have no option to terminate coverage unless you enter the armed forces. In that case we will refund, or your student account will be credited, a pro-rated share of your premium. If you are an international student who is withdrawing or graduating from your school and returning to your home country, you may qualify for a refund of premium.

**Q Can I enroll my eligible dependents?**

- A No, the SHIP does not provide dependent coverage.

**Waiving the SHIP Coverage**

**Q Am I eligible to waive?**

- A To be eligible to waive your SHIP, you must be currently enrolled in a health insurance plan that meets your school's waiver requirements. Waiver requirements include being enrolled in a health insurance plan that is fully-compliant with all provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), requires you to have access to providers near campus and to have coverage for services beyond urgent and emergency services. Therefore, if you are enrolled in an out-of-state HMO, your coverage will likely be limited—or not available—outside of your HMO's service area and will not meet your school's waiver requirements.

**Q What should I know before waiving?**

A Before waiving coverage, review your current policy and then consider these questions:

- Is your plan fully-compliant with the ACA? This means services should include, but aren't limited to:
  - Preventive and non-urgent care (this includes most immunizations)
  - Prescription drugs
  - Emergency care
  - Mental health and substance abuse treatment
  - Surgical care
  - Inpatient and outpatient hospitalization
  - Lab work
  - Diagnostic x-rays
  - Physical therapy and Chiropractic Care
  - Immediate coverage for pre-existing conditions
  - No annual maximum benefits
- Does your plan's provider network 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 your SHIP less expensive than the deductible of your private plan? 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.

If you don't complete a waiver form by the published deadline, you will be automatically enrolled in and billed for your SHIP.

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.

- For more information about the ACA, visit: <https://www.hhs.gov/healthcare/about-the-aca/index.htm>

**Q What is comparable coverage?**

A Comparable coverage means your health insurance plan needs to meet your school's waiver requirements, which may include being fully-compliant with all provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). See "What should I know before Waiving?"

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 (includes Christian Ministries & Liberty Health Share)
- Out-of-state Medicaid plans
- Out-of-State HMOs or EPOs
- Plans from insurance companies not located within the United States
- Prescription discount plans

**Q How do I waive health insurance coverage?**

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1. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and login using your Pacific credentials.
2. Click the "Waive" button under "Plan Summary".
3. Follow the instructions to complete the form.
4. Save a copy of your reference number. This number only confirms submission, not approval of your form.

**Q Will you audit or verify my waiver request?**

A Yes, we will audit or verify your waiver request. This is to make sure your insurance plan will cover you when you're at school. 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.
- We verify most waiver requests within 1-2 business days.
- Once we verify your coverage, we'll email you at the address you provided on your form to let you know if your waiver request was approved or denied. If we deny your request, we'll tell you why. We'll also guide you should you wish to revise and resubmit your form and supporting documentation.

**Q Can I edit my form after I've submitted it?**

A Yes, if it's before your waiver/enrollment deadline of July 30, 2021 for Dental students and September 3, 2021 for Graduate & Undergraduate students.

1. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and login using your Pacific credentials.

2. Click “Edit Waiver” under “Plan Summary”.
3. Update the form as needed.
4. Click “Submit Edit.”

You may not edit your form after July 30, 2021 for Dental students and September 3, 2021 for Graduate & Undergraduate students.

**Q Can I rescind my form after I’ve submitted it?**

- A Yes, only if it's before your waiver/enrollment deadline of July 30, 2021 for Dental students and September 3, 2021 for Graduate & Undergraduate students.
1. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and login with your Pacific credentials.
  2. Select, “Click here to rescind your waiver” under “Account Details”.
  3. Click “RESCIND MY WAIVER.”

You may not edit your form after July 30, 2021 for Dental students and September 3, 2021 for Graduate & Undergraduate students.

**Q If I waive, but then lose my coverage, can I enroll in SHIP?**

- A If you waive SHIP and then lose coverage under that plan, you need to go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop). Login, click on “Enroll-Qualifying Life Event”, complete the online form, and upload the required loss of coverage letter from your prior health insurance company showing the last day of coverage. Make sure you read the form carefully as it contains very specific information on the Qualifying Life Event process. Qualifying events include:
- Reaching the age limit of another health insurance plan
  - Loss of health insurance through marriage or divorce
  - Involuntary loss of coverage from another health insurance plan

If your enrollment in SHIP is on a voluntary basis, there is no option for the Qualifying Life Event process if you lose coverage with your current health insurance plan.

**Q May I use one of my state's health insurance plans to waive my SHIP?**

- A If you live in the state where you are attending school and bought insurance through your state’s marketplace, you may be able to waive your SHIP. Please review these plans carefully. Many of them will have a higher deductible and copayments and lower coinsurance than that of your SHIP premium. This will increase your out-of-pocket costs. Also, many of these plans are HMOs with restrictive provider networks. Look at the provider network to be sure that you’ll have In-Network providers near your campus.



Are you an international student? If so, then purchasing a subsidized marketplace plan or the state's Medicaid plan may jeopardize your visa status.

## About My Benefits

### Q What do my benefits include?

A. Your SHIP is fully compliant with the ACA and all other federal and state mandates. It pays for a wide range 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 covers preventive care services at no cost when you use In-Network providers. This includes routine physicals and examinations, screenings, GYN examinations and most immunizations.

It pays for 80% 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 coinsurance is less which means your potential out-of-pocket costs are more. You will also be responsible for paying any deductibles and applicable office visit and prescription drug copayments.

- It has a combined \$300 per Insured, per policy year deductible for In-Network and Out-of-Network services.
- It has a \$20 copayment for office visits.
- Prescription drugs are covered for a 30-day supply after:
  - a \$15 copay for a Tier-1 drug,
  - a \$30 copay for a Tier-2 drug,
  - a \$50 copay for a Tier-3 drug.

Note: in some cases, prescription drugs may have a supply or quantity limit or require your doctor to get a Prior Authorization before you can pick-up your prescription. You can see review your plans' pharmacy list or formulary by visiting your school's page at [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop).

### Q How can I get more information about my plan?

A Go to: [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop).

**Q Do I need a referral from my school's Health Services to see an off-campus health provider?**

A No, you don't need a referral. However, it's a good idea to see your on-campus Health Center first since they can connect you with valuable on-campus services or refer you to providers. For more information, visit your school's Health Services website at: <https://www.pacific.edu/healthservices>.

**Q Have changes been made to this year's plan?**

A No changes were made to the Plan for the 2021-2022 Policy Year.

**Q How do I find a doctor?**

A 1. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and login using your Pacific credentials  
 2. Click on "Find a Doctor".

**Q How do I find a pharmacy?**

A 1. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and login using your Pacific credentials.  
 2. Click on "Pharmacy Program".

**Q Does my SHIP plan include dental and/or vision insurance?**

A Yes, the SHIP includes dental insurance. If you're enrolled in SHIP, you are automatically enrolled in the Anthem Dental Plan. If you're 18 or younger, SHIP provides preventive dental and vision benefits as required by the Affordable Care Act. Refer to your SHP brochure or certificate of coverage for details.

**Q Am I still covered if I live off campus? While traveling? When studying abroad?**

A Yes, your plan covers you wherever you are. As long as you're enrolled in SHIP and paid the premium, you'll be covered. Your plan also provides you with 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 GeoBlue before making arrangements on your own. Otherwise these services will not be covered.

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 need 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.

**Q Am I still covered after I graduate?**

A You are covered under your SHIP until the end of the policy period for which you are enrolled in SHIP and have paid your premium. If you enrolled and paid for annual or spring/summer coverage and graduate in the spring, you will be covered until the end of the policy year. However, if you graduate at the end of the fall semester, your coverage will end at the end of that semester. You may be able to purchase a continuation plan. To learn more, go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop).

**Q How does the ACA affect my SHIP?**

A Your SHIP fully complies with the 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.

**Q What other services available to me through my SHIP?**

- A. The following services are included and complement your SHIP program:
- **Basix Dental Savings** — an exclusive network of providers provides discounts on dental services from routine care to major dental work and can save you 20% to 50% off the cost of dental care.
  - **EyeMed Vision** — through this program you can receive discounted services for eye exams, glasses or contact lenses at participating EyeMed providers. You can use your EyeMed discounts as often as you like.
  - **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. Stress, resilience and sleep programs, anytime, anywhere.

**Q What other insurance products available to students?**

A The following services are also available to students:

- **Personal property and Renters Insurance** are available to all students on a voluntary basis and covers you while on- or off-campus, at home, or abroad. All of your belongings including cell phones, laptops, clothing, books and much more are protected from accidental damage, theft, fire damage and water damage. For details, go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/property](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/property) to get a quote and enroll. Please visit [www.gallagherstudent.com](http://www.gallagherstudent.com) for complete details about additional insurance products and how to enroll.
- **Dental or Vision Insurance Plans are available** to all students to purchase on a voluntary basis at an additional cost. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and click on Additional Products under Plan Details. The types of plans and availability of plans vary by state. All students are eligible to enroll, you do not have to be enrolled in SHP.

**General Account Information**

**Q How do I obtain an ID card?**

A ID cards are usually available 5-7 business days after your enrollment is processed by Anthem. ID cards are available online through the Sydney Health app available in the App Store or Google Play.

To access your ID card:

1. Register on [www.anthem.com/ca](http://www.anthem.com/ca) or the Sydney Health mobile app with your student I.D.
2. Once you're logged in, check to make sure your ID card preference is set to 'digital'.

Here you will have instant access to:

- Your member ID card.
- The Find a Doctor tool.
- More information about your plan benefits.
- Health tips that are tailored to you.
- LiveHealth Online and 24/7 NurseLine.
- Student support specialists.

**Q How do I obtain a tax form?**

A If the federal government requires reporting of health insurance coverage for 2021, tax forms will be mailed to the address on file by either the Insurance Carrier or the Claims Administrator. Please refer to the Important Contact Information Section of this document for further information.

**Q How do I print my verification letter?**

A Verification Letters are usually available 5-7 business days after your eligibility is confirmed.  
 1. Go to [www.gallagherstudent.com/uop](http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop) and log in using your Pacific credentials.  
 2. Click on “Verification of Coverage Letter”.

**Q How do I change my address?**

A Please contact your school to update your address.

**Q Who do I contact?**

A See the guide below:

Answer Needed	Who To Contact	Contact Information
Enrollment, coverage, or service concerns ID cards	Gallagher Student Health & Special Risk	500 Victory Road Quincy, MA 02171 Website: <a href="http://www.gallagherstudent.com/uop">www.gallagherstudent.com/uop</a> , click the ‘Help Center’ link
Benefits, claims, claims payments incurred & Tax forms	Anthem Blue Cross	P.O. Box 60007 Los Angeles, CA 90060 Phone: 1-800-888-2108 Website: <a href="http://www.anthem.com/ca">www.anthem.com/ca</a>
Preferred Provider Network	Anthem Blue Cross PPO Prudent Buyer Network	Website: <a href="http://www.gallagherstudent.com/UOP">www.gallagherstudent.com/UOP</a> , click “Find a Doctor”
Participating pharmacies	IngenioRx	Website: <a href="http://www.gallagherstudent.com/UOP">www.gallagherstudent.com/UOP</a> , click “Pharmacy Program”
Voluntary Dental	Ameritas	Phone: 1-855-672-3232

Answer Needed	Who To Contact	Contact Information
Gallagher Student Health Complements (SHIP Plan Enhancements)	EyeMed (Discount Vision) Basix (Dental Savings) SilverCloud (Behavioral Health)	EyeMed Phone: 1-866-839-3633 Website: <a href="http://www.enrollwitheyemed.com">www.enrollwitheyemed.com</a>  Basix Phone: 1-888-274-9961 Websites: <a href="http://www.basixstudent.com">www.basixstudent.com</a>  Silvercloud Website: <a href="https://gsh.silvercloudhealth.com/signup/">https://gsh.silvercloudhealth.com/signup/</a>
Worldwide assistance services (medical evacuation and repatriation)	GeoBlue	Call Collect: 1-833-511-4763