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MSP (Medical Services Plan)

mandatory for all eligible residents and
their dependents

Eligibility

- Study permit of 6 months or more
- Effective after a 3-month waiting period
- 1-2 months for processing

Apply Online



<https://my.gov.bc.ca/ahdc/msp-eligibility>



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British Columbia Application for Health and Drug Coverage (AHDC)

British Columbia Application for Health and Drug Coverage

B.C. residents can apply for one, two or three programs using this form:

- Medical Services Plan
- Fair PharmaCare
- Supplementary Benefits

**Eligibility:
Step 1**

Answer the following questions to see which programs you are eligible for and make sure you have what you need to apply.

Medical Services Plan (MSP) eligibility

1. Will you use this form to apply for MSP?

- Yes
- No, I am already enrolled.
Continue to Fair PharmaCare. You will need to provide your Personal Health Number.

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2. Do you currently live in B.C. and have a B.C. address where you can receive mail?

Yes

No

3. Will anyone included in this application be away from B.C. for more than 30 days in total during the next six months?

Yes

No

4. Is anyone included in this application: a student returning to a province outside B.C. at the end of a course or program; an unaccompanied minor; or a person seeking refugee status?

Yes

No

5. To apply for MSP, you must upload a digital copy of one the documents below for each person included in this application. The document must show full legal name and legal status in Canada.

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Canadian Citizens

Permanent Residents

Temporary Document Holders

- **Study permit**
- Work permit
(Working Holiday permit must include a letter of employment)
- Visitor permit
(accompanying spouse or child)

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**Eligibility:
Step 2**

Fair PharmaCare eligibility

1. Will you use this form to apply for Fair PharmaCare?

- Yes
- No (Continue to Supplementary Benefits)

New students aren't usually eligible for this until a later date. Guard.me will cover most of your pharmacy costs initially.

To know more about Fair PharmaCare Plan:

[Click fair-pharmacare-plan](#)



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**Eligibility:
Step 3**

Supplementary Benefits eligibility

1. Will you use this form to apply for
Supplementary Benefits?

Note: If you or your spouse (who may not live in B.C. or
Canada) earned income outside Canada during the
most recent tax year, you must submit your application
for Supplementary Benefits using the print form (HLTH
101) available [here](#).

Yes

No

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Select programs

Based on the information you provided, you are eligible to apply for the programs indicated below. If you choose not to apply for a program, remove the checkmark from that program.

**Eligibility:
Step 4**

MSP Enrolment 

Fair PharmaCare

Eligibility questionnaire not answered.

Supplementary Benefits

Eligibility questionnaire not answered.

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Information collection notice

Your personal information is collected by the Ministry of Health under the authority of sections 26(a) and (c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)*. It is collected for the purpose of administering Medical Services Plan and Supplementary Benefits under the *Medicare Protection Act*, and to determine, verify and administer your and your family's Fair PharmaCare coverage under the *Pharmaceutical Services Act*. If you have questions about the collection of personal information on this form, contact the HIBC Chief Privacy Officer at PO Box 9035 STN Prov Govt, Victoria BC V8W 9E3; or call 604 683-7151 (Vancouver) or 1 800 663-7100 (toll free).



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I have read and understand this information

**Eligibility:
Completed**

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Add personal information and upload documents

Applicant information

**Personal Info:
Step 1**

First name

Mary

Middle name (optional)

Last name

Smith

Birthdate

January



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2000



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Gender

- Male (M)
- Female (F)
- X

Tip

If the gender you select does not match the gender on your supporting document(s), you must submit an application for change of gender designation. For more information see [Change Your Personal Information](#).

Your status in Canada

Provide your immigration status. You will need to upload documents that show your status in Canada. For arrivals through the Canada-Ukraine authorization for emergency travel (CUAET) program, please select 'Temporary Permit Holder or Diplomat' from the menu below.

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Immigration status in Canada

Temporary document holder or diplomat 

- Work permit / CUAET
- Study permit
- Religious worker
- Diplomat

Documents

**Personal Info:
Step 2**

Provide a copy of an accepted document that shows your status in Canada. If your name is different from the name on the document, you must also upload a copy of a marriage certificate, divorce decree, or name change certificate that shows your full legal name.

Document type

Study permit 





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Does the document that shows your status in Canada match your selected gender designation?

- No
- Yes

Study permit

Tip

Document samples:

[Study permit](#)

Scan the document or take a photo of it.

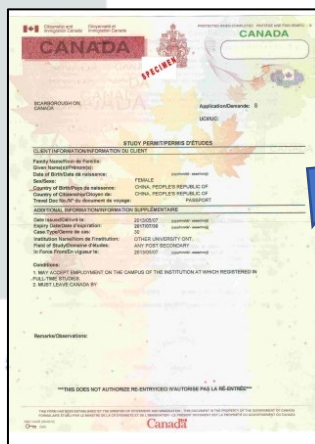
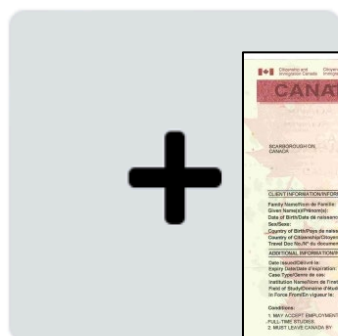
Make sure that it is:

- The entire document, from corner to corner
- Rotated correctly (not upside down or sideways)
- In focus and easy to read
- A JPG, PNG, GIF, BMP or PDF file



Select a file

Click add, or drag and drop a file into this box



Study Permit



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Is your name different from the name on your document?

No

Yes *If you changed your name since your ID was issued, please select 'Yes'*

Moving information

**Personal Info:
Step 3**

Which province or jurisdiction did you live in before moving to British Columbia?

Japan

Country

Have you moved to B.C. permanently?

No

Yes

A permanent move means that you intend to make BC your primary residence for 6 months or longer.

Arrival date in B.C.

June



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2023



Arrival date in Canada

June



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Since you arrived in B.C., have you left the province for more than 30 days in total in the past 12 months?

If you have been living in B.C. for less than 12 months, please indicate any absences since arrival.

- No
- Yes

Do you have a previous B.C. Personal Health Number?

- No
- Yes

Are you a full-time student in B.C.?

- No
- Yes

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**Personal Info:
Step 4**

Spouse information

To be eligible for coverage, a spouse must be a B.C. resident.

Do you have a spouse or common-law partner?

- No
- Yes

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If you have a spouse / a child who is already in BC with a valid work or study permit, you can add your spouse/child to your application. You are required to provide their information and provide supporting documents.



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**Personal Info:
Step 5**

Child information

- **A child is under 19 years old**, and the applicant is their parent or legal guardian.
- **A dependent post-secondary student** is a **19 to 24 years old** who is supported by parent(s) or guardian(s), has no spouse, and is enrolled full-time in a recognized pos-secondary institution.

Do you have a child who also needs to enrol?

- No
- Yes

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Contact information

**Personal Info:
Step 6**

Residential address

Your residential address is the address where you currently live in B.C.

Full street address

1000 K.L.O Road

Address Line 2 (optional)

Address Line 3 (optional)

City

Kelowna

Province

British Columbia





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Jurisdiction

Canada



Postal Code

V1Y 4X8

Mailing address

Enter your mailing address if it is different from your residential address.

My Mailing Address is Different

This is my mailing address.

Phone

Phone number (optional)



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- I declare that all information provided is true and I understand that the Ministry of Health and the Medical Services Commission and/or Health Insurance BC may verify this information with immigration authorities, law enforcement authorities and other public authorities, agencies and persons, as appropriate. I declare that all persons listed are residents of British Columbia.



Mary Smith

**Personal Info:
Completed**

Submit



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Confirmation of submission

Print or
save as
PDF 



Date submitted: June 13, 2023



Your Medical Services Plan form has
been submitted.

Reference number is: 5132931

**Screenshot the
reference number**

Next steps

Print or save this page for your records.

Remember:

- B.C. residents must fulfill their MSP obligations under the *Medicare Protection Act*.
- Update your MSP account if your address or family structure changes.



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Medical Services Plan (MSP) enrolment:

- Your application will be processed within 21 business days.
- After your application is processed, HIBC will mail you a letter confirming your MSP enrolment status. You may have a [wait period](#).
- Living outside B.C. for more than six months could cause your MSP coverage to be cancelled. [Learn more about MSP eligibility](#).

If you have any questions, [contact HIBC](#).

Lower Mainland: (604) 683-7151

Elsewhere in B.C.: 1 (800) 663-7100 (toll-free)

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Applicant information

Name	Mary Smith
Birthdate	January 1, 2000
Gender	Female (F)
Status in Canada	Temporary document holder or diplomat > Study permit
Support document type	Study permit
Does status document match gender designation	Yes
Has name changed	No
Moved to B.C. permanently	Yes
Moved from province/jurisdiction	Japan
Date arrived in B.C.	June 13, 2023
Date arrived in Canada	June 13, 2023

Sample



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Has previous B.C. PHN **No**

Outside B.C. for more than 30 days in the last year **No**

Full-time student **Yes**

Will reside in B.C. on completion of your studies **No**

Documents **1 file**

Contact information



Residential

Address:

Street Address **1000 K.L.O Road**

City **Kelowna**

Province **British Columbia**

Postal Code **V1Y 4X8**

Jurisdiction **Canada**