

Student Health Insurance Waiver Policy:

(For Fall 2007 through Summer 2008)

OHSU mandatory student group health insurance policy makes possible a waiver under certain circumstances. A request to decline coverage from the University plan must show that the student's current insurance plan for which a waiver is sought meets the basic health coverage features of the university plan, i.e. to be approved it must be a plan open to all members of a group regardless of individual circumstances, ***including past medical history***, race, ethnicity, gender, etc. And it must insure adequately against unanticipated medical costs at a minimum of one million dollars lifetime benefit. Evidence of the following would meet these criteria:

- Employer group coverage with a minimum lifetime benefit of not less than \$1,000,000.00, where the insured is a spouse or a parent of the student, or the student's own employer group plan when the student is employed. (Employer group insurance is open to all in the group regardless of personal circumstances. Individual insurance requires a rating process of the individual before acceptance as a policyholder.)
- Coverage under Medicare, Medicaid, FHIAP, OMIP, or coverage under a Cobra plan that extends employer group coverage.
- A unique individual plan providing a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 lifetime benefit that meets extenuating circumstances such as the following: the student with a permanent ongoing medical condition who would not qualify for insurance for that condition after graduating and terminating the required OHSU student group insurance, is requesting a waiver to keep a plan which is guaranteed renewable permanently as long as the premium is paid, but would be irrevocably lost if terminated to enroll in the OHSU student plan. (An individual plan qualifying under this third criterion must have no other contingencies other than payment of premium for guaranteed renewal. For example, if guaranteed continuing coverage is contingent upon not moving away from the current locality, then this plan would not qualify for the waiver. If the plan is a recently purchased plan it would not qualify. It must be a plan that has served the needs of this student for a substantial period of time prior to coming to OHSU. Applications for exemption of individual plans based upon this extenuating circumstance criterion must provide sufficient information to verify these things.)

These criteria are subject to change on an annual basis, and changes will be announced to new and continuing students in the month of May each year. **DEADLINES:** All applications for waivers must be received in the OHSU Student Health Service office *before* the first day of the month in which a student's program starts, or *before* the first day of the month in which fall term begins each year; and must be reapplied for annually at each fall term (the same deadline). Applications which do not include the required documentation as indicated on the waiver application form will not be considered. ***Applications received on or after the first day of the month, if approved, will not be effective until the beginning of the next month.***

Student Group Health Insurance Waiver Application and Affidavit

Deadline: Application must be received in the Student Health Service Office before the first day of the month in which your program starts if you are a new student; Or before the first day of the month in which the insurance is to be effective if you are a continuing student. Annual re-applications are due before the first day of the month in which fall term begins.

Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer Terms 2007-2008

If Approved This Waiver Expires at the end of Summer Term, 2008

Student Name _____
SS#: _____ Date of birth: _____
Email address of student to notify re: decision _____
Phone number: _____
Date of application: _____
OHSU degree or certificate program: _____
Campus you register on _____
Training start date: _____; expected graduation date: _____
Date received in Student Health Service: _____

Major Medical Insurance—Required for Students of All Programs

I hereby request to decline enrollment into the mandatory OHSU student group health insurance in favor of continuing my current alternative health insurance plan. If this waiver is approved, I certify that I will maintain this insurance and if it is terminated will notify OHSU in less than 30 days of such termination. I am requesting this waiver on the basis of one of the following three choices. (Check one):

- I. Employer group coverage with a minimum lifetime benefit of not less than \$1,000,000.00, where the insured is a spouse or a parent of the student, or the student's own employer group plan when the student is employed.

Required documentation:

Name of insurance company: _____
Address of insurance company: _____
Phone number of insurance company: _____
Group policy number: _____ ID# _____
Name of employer: _____
Name of primary insured: _____ DOB _____
Your relationship to primary insured: _____
Attach schedule of benefits showing lifetime maximum benefit of at least \$1,000,000.00.
Attach a copy of your insurance card.

- II. Coverage under Medicare, Medicaid, FHIAP, OMIP, or coverage under a Cobra plan that extends employer group coverage.

Required documentation:

If enrolled in a private insurance plan under one of the above programs, list the following:

Name of insurance company: _____

Address of insurance company: _____

Phone number of insurance company: _____

Policy number: _____ ID# _____

Name of primary insured: _____ DOB _____

Attach proof of current eligibility and enrollment in one of above covered programs.

- III. Coverage under an individual health insurance plan already in effect for at least a year or more, providing a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 lifetime benefit where there are extenuating circumstances such as the following: the student with a permanent ongoing medical condition who would not qualify for insurance for that condition after graduating and terminating the required OHSU student group insurance, is requesting a waiver to keep a plan already held for more than one year and prior to the onset of such medical condition, which is guaranteed renewable permanently if not terminated, but would be irrevocably lost if terminated to enroll in the OHSU student plan.

Required documentation:

Name of insurance company: _____

Address of insurance company: _____

Phone number of insurance company: _____

Date of inception of this policy: _____

Policy number: _____ ID# _____

Name of employer: _____

Name of primary insured: _____ DOB _____

Your relationship to primary insured: _____

Attach a *statement from insurance company* that current policy is guaranteed renewable on a permanent basis with no exceptions except non-payment of premium.

Attach *schedule of benefits* showing lifetime maximum benefit of at least \$1,000,000.00.

Attach narrative explanation of extenuating circumstance:

Dental Insurance – Required for students of all Programs *except* School of Nursing (Portland, LaGrande, Ashland, Klamath Falls); CDRC LEND Program; School of Dentistry.

I hereby certify that I will maintain employer group dental insurance with the following company:

Insurance Company: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Name of Primary Insured: _____ DOB _____

Group Policy # _____ ID# _____

Vision Insurance-- Required for all Programs *except* School of Nursing (Portland, LaGrande, Ashland, Klamath Falls); CDRC LEND Program; School of Dentistry.

I hereby certify that I will maintain employer group vision insurance with the following company:

Insurance Company: _____ Address: _____
Phone: _____ Name of Primary Insured: _____ DOB _____
Group Policy # _____ ID# _____

I understand that this application will not be considered without appropriate documentation, and that I am subject to sanctions up to and including permanent dismissal from the university for intentionally providing misinformation in this document.

I understand that if this waiver is approved, it will expire at the start of the next Fall term, 2008, and I must re-apply before it expires if I wish to continue this exemption from the required student insurance.

I understand that the insurance premium for the entire term will appear on my tuition account and it may take two weeks to have refunds credited after the waiver application is approved.

I understand that if I lose this waived insurance during the school year I must, within 30 days, enroll in the OHSU student group plan or be approved for a new waiver for a different qualifying plan.

I affirm that the statements in this affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge:

Dated:

Signature

Name

Address

City, State, Zip code

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