

Dental care in Sweden for foreign students *[Tandvård i Sverige för utländska studenter]*



This fact sheet is intended for people from abroad who travel to Sweden to study. It describes the rules that apply if you need dental care during your period of study in Sweden.

Swedish subsidised dental care *[tandvårdsstödet]*

[Det svenska tandvårdsstödet]

There are two components of the Swedish subsidised dental care scheme. One is a dental care allowance *[tandvårdsbidrag]* which is mainly intended for check-ups and preventive care, the other is a high-cost protection *[högkostnadsskydd]*.

The dental care allowance is 300 Swedish kronor (SEK 300) per year up to and including the year that you attain the age of 29. From the age of 30 onwards, the allowance is SEK 150 per year. The allowance is paid to the dentist or the dental hygienist who is treating you.

The Swedish subsidised dental care scheme also includes a high-cost protection which means that you only need to pay part of the cost of major treatment yourself. Försäkringskassan *[The Swedish Social Insurance Agency]* pays half of the costs that exceed SEK 3,000. If the cost of treatment exceeds SEK 15,000, Försäkringskassan pays 85 per cent of the cost that exceeds SEK 15,000.

Students from the Nordic countries

[Studenter från Norden]

The Nordic countries are Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

If you are not registered in the Population Register in Sweden

[Om du inte är folkbokförd i Sverige]

If you come to Sweden from another Nordic country only to study, you are entitled to subsidised dental care in Sweden. However, this entitlement only applies to essential dental treatment *[nödvändig tandvård]*. If you wish to have dental treatment which is not considered to be essential, you must accordingly pay the entire cost yourself.

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Essential dental treatment is treatment that cannot wait until you return to your home country. What is considered as essential dental treatment thus depends on how long you are planning to stay in Sweden.

To obtain subsidised dental care for essential dental treatment, you must show proof of identity and give your address in your home country.

If you are registered in the Population Register in Sweden

[Om du blir folkbokförd i Sverige]

If you are registered in the Population Register in Sweden, you are entitled to subsidised dental care on the same terms as other people who live in Sweden, accordingly not just for essential dental treatment. There is more information about Population Registration at the end of this fact sheet.

If you work as well as studying

[Om du arbetar vid sidan av studierna]

If you work and pay tax in Sweden at the same time, you will also be insured in Sweden. You will then be entitled to subsidised dental care on the same terms as other people who live in Sweden, i.e. not just for essential dental treatment. Contact Försäkringskassan for more information.

Students from the EU/EEA or Switzerland (excluding the Nordic countries)

[Studenter från EU/EES eller Schweiz (exklusive Norden)]

There is a list of countries that belong to the EU/EEA at the end of this fact sheet.

If you come to Sweden from a country in the EU/EEA or from Switzerland only to study, you are entitled to subsidised dental care in Sweden. However, this entitlement only applies to essential dental treatment. If you wish to have dental treatment which is not considered to be essential, you must accordingly pay the entire cost yourself.

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To obtain subsidised dental care for necessary dental treatment, you must show proof of identity and your European Health Insurance Card [*eupeiska sjukförsäkringskort (EHIC)*].

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If you work and pay tax in Sweden at the same time, you will also be insured in Sweden. You will then be entitled to subsidised dental care on the same terms as other people who live in Sweden, i.e. not just for essential dental treatment. Contact Försäkringskassan for more information.

Students from countries outside the EU/EEA or Switzerland

[Studenter från länder utanför EU/EES eller Schweiz]

If you come to Sweden from a country outside EU/EEA or from Switzerland just to study, you are not entitled to subsidised dental care in Sweden. You should then arrange private insurance cover. If you do not have insurance, you will have to pay the entire cost yourself if you need dental care, which can be very expensive.

Exceptions

[Undantag]

- However, there are some exceptions. This is the case for students from Australia, Québec, the British Channel Islands, Jersey and Guernsey, and the Isle of Man.
- If you are resident in Australia, you are entitled to subsidised dental care for essential treatment when you are studying in Sweden. Essential treatment is treatment that cannot wait until you return to Australia. You must be able to present an Australian passport or another passport that shows that you have permanent right of residence in Australia.
- If you are resident in Québec, you are entitled to subsidised dental care when you are studying in Sweden. You must be able to present a certificate issued by the Bureau des ententes de sécurité sociale in Québec and a certificate of enrolment on your course in Sweden.
- If you are resident in any of the British Channel Islands, Jersey or Guernsey, or in the Isle of Man, you are entitled to subsidised emergency dental treatment when you are studying in Sweden. You must be able to present a U.K. passport or another insurance certificate.

Registered in the Population Register in Sweden or not?

[Folkbokförd i Sverige eller inte?]

If you are planning to study in Sweden for a year or more, you will normally be registered in the Population Register in Sweden. You can read more about how population registration works on the Swedish Tax Agency's *[Skatteverkets]* website www.skatteverket.se.

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Which countries belong to the EU/EEA

[Vilka länder tillhör EU/EES?]

The following countries belong to the EU/EEA: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, The Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, and the United Kingdom.

Further information

[Mer information]

This fact sheet is not a legal text on the subject. If you would like more information, you can also read

- Sjukvård i Sverige för utländska studenter [*Health care in Sweden for foreign students*]
- Försäkrad när du bor eller arbetar i Sverige [*Insured when you are living or working in Sweden*]

You can find all information material at Försäkringskassan and at www.forsakringskassan.se. There are also other websites with information for students in Sweden, for example, www.csn.se and www.studyinsweden.se.

You can easily and conveniently take care of a number of matters at www.forsakringskassan.se with aid of our self-service facilities.

You can order certificates, forms and brochures on our self-service telephone +46 20-524 524. You can also make certain notifications to that number.

Any questions?

[Frågor?]

Please call our Customer Centre [*Kundcenter*] at +46 771 524 524 if you have any questions.

Checks by Försäkringskassan

[Försäkringskassan kontrollerar]

Försäkringskassan carries out checks on the information you provide, for example, your income, leave from work, civil status or where you live. We exchange information with other authorities and check our registers against information from others, for example, the National Board of Student Aid [CSN], the unemployment insurance funds [arbetslöshetskassorna] and the Tax Agency.

It can be a criminal offence to deliberately provide incorrect information or fail to notify changes which may affect your entitlement to benefit. Försäkringskassan reports all suspected benefit fraud to the police.

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