

GeoBlue Medical Insurance Coverage

The University of North Carolina (UNC) has contracted with GeoBlue to provide health insurance coverage for international students, employees and affiliates. This coverage is available to any foreign national who is affiliated with UNC. Policies may be purchased for the individual affiliate or as a plan that covers you and your family (spouse and/or children).

Instructions to enroll in UNC Chapel Hill's GeoBlue Policy:

- 1) Go to <https://www.geobluestudents.com/>
- 2) Enter UNC Chapel Hill's self-enrollment code, **SKN-627**, in the box under the section labeled "Students and Plan Members" along right side bar (see screenshot below for reference)
- 3) Select "new" enrollment
- 4) The coverage period cannot exceed 12 months. If your visit is more than 12 months, you will need to renew your policy toward the end of the 12 month period.
- 5) Once you enroll, you will receive an email from GeoBlue with instruction on how to register with their website. Please be sure to register, login and print your new ID card

The screenshot shows the GeoBlue website interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: "For Administrators >", "For Students / Members >" (highlighted in orange), "For Parents / Guardians >", and "Resource Center". Below the tabs, there is a section for "Coronavirus Outbreak" with a video player and text explaining coverage for COVID-19 testing. To the right, there are sections for "Need an Individual Plan?", "Find a Provider", and "Students and Plan Members". The "Students and Plan Members" section contains a form with the text "Enroll in your school or organization's group plan" and "Enter your self enrollment code" followed by a "Submit" button. A red circle is drawn around the "Enter your self enrollment code" field and the "Submit" button. A red arrow points from the right side of the page towards this field.

Policy Rates for GeoBlue:

Affiliate/Participant Only: **\$35.00 per week**

Affiliate/Participant + spouse: **\$152.57 per week**

Affiliate/Participant + child(ren): **\$90.13 per week**

Affiliate/Participant + family (spouse and 1 or more children): **\$208.20 per week**

GeoBlue accepts payments using Visa, Mastercard, American Express, and Discover. A brochure of the GeoBlue insurance plan with coverage details can be viewed on this webpage:

<https://iss.unc.edu/files/2017/08/GeoBlue-Member-Guide>

Important Notes:

- 1) The GeoBlue plan is not ACA compliant. As such, participants who are considered "[residents for tax purposes](#)" may be subject to a penalty for lack of appropriate coverage when filing taxes.

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- 2) UNC affiliates must be enrolled in GeoBlue to purchase coverage for non-affiliated spouses and children. For example, if you are offered health insurance coverage as a UNC student but the policy does not include your spouse or children, your family would only be eligible for GeoBlue coverage if you enrolled in the GeoBlue policy as well.
- 3) For those in J status, UNC's policy with GeoBlue meets and exceeds the U.S. Department of State's requirements. Please contact your international student or scholar advisor for more information regarding the insurance requirement for J-1/J-2 exchange visitors.
- 4) UNC's GeoBlue policy includes coverage for "repatriation and evacuation". Additionally, GeoBlue offers stand-alone coverage for repatriation and evacuation if your medical insurance coverage that does not include repatriation and evacuation (for example, the State Health Plans of North Carolina offered to UNC employees does not include repatriation and evacuation coverage). To enroll in stand-alone repatriation and evacuation please email the University's Risk Management Specialist, Janet Hoernke at: Janet_Hoernke@unc.edu with the subject line: Inbound Stand Alone Med Evac/Repat Starting DD/MM/YYYY (enter the requested start date of coverage here). Janet will follow-up with additional instructions for enrollment and policy details.