**A beneficiary is a resident enrolled in MSP.**

For your new resident, you are required to provide photocopies of documents to support the legal status of all persons listed on your application.

**REQUIREMENT TO ENROL/RE-ENROL**

Remote applicants must be lawfully admitted to Canada for permanent residence, or work permits valid for a period of six or more months, may be deemed to be residents. For more information on eligibility, visit www.health.gov.bc.ca.

**PREMIUMS**

Premiums must be in B.C. when applying. If the application is late, the premium is not eligible for any additional coverage for the period.

**ADDITIONAL BENEFITS**

Services covered under Additional Benefits are only available to persons currently ineligible for provincial health care benefits and are not a benefit of MSP for exceptions.

**DECLARATION OF ADDITIONAL BENEFITS**

MSP does not provide coverage for the following:

- **Medical Examination, Centre for Health Services Research**
- **Diagnosis of an Addictive, Mental Health, or Substance Use Disorder**
- **Out-of-Province Benefits**

For more information, please visit the BC Services Card online at www.hibc.gov.bc.ca.

**HOW TO ENROL**

If you have questions about the BC Services Card, go to hibc.gov.bc.ca.

**APPLICATION FOR GROUP ENROLMENT**

For more information, visit www.hibc.gov.bc.ca.

**APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT**

1. **MSP provides the following benefits:**

   - **Medical Services Plan:**
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       - **Diagnostic X-ray and Laboratory Services:**
       - **Maternity Care by a Physician, or by a Specialist:**
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**Additional Benefits**

Visitors to B.C. are exempt from enrolling.

**REQUIREMENT TO ENROL/RE-ENROL**

- **MSP does not provide coverage for the following:**
  - **Physical Therapy, Acupuncture, and Non-Surgical Podiatry:**
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LEAVING CANADA TO OBTAIN MEDICAL SERVICES

If you are leaving Canada to obtain medical services, the BC specialist must write to HIBC (see General Contact Information section) and provide information regarding the medical necessity for an item of services outside of Canada. Non-emergency services that are undertaken without prior approval from MSP cannot be considered for payment. Travel costs and accommodation are the responsibility of the patient. Additional information is available online at www.health.gov.bc.ca/msp/infoben/leavingbc.html.

ABSENCES FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA

Temporary Absences

If you will no longer be a resident, you must notify HIBC of your date of departure, indicate the reason for cancellation, and provide your new address – otherwise, premium billing may continue. Failure to remit premiums does not constitute notification to cancel benefits. For more information on absences or moving from BC, download a copy of the Leaving BC pamphlet at www.health.gov.bc.ca/msp/infoben/pdf/leaving-bc-brochure.pdf.

Permanent Move from British Columbia

It is important to contact HIBC before leaving BC or submit a Permanent Move Outside BC form at www.health.gov.bc.ca/msp/forms/leavingbc.html.

Within Canada - Benefits are provided for the balance of the month you leave the province. Cancelling Benefits

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Within Canada - Benefits are provided for the balance of the month you leave the province plus two months. If required, benefits may be extended for up to six months to cover

TRAVEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TAP)

This program provides travel discounts for beneficiaries who need to travel outside their communities for physician-referred non-emergency specialist medical care. For more information, visit www.health.gov.bc.ca/tele or phone HIBC (see General Contact Information section).

PRIVATE INSURANCE

Private insurance companies may provide coverage for services/amounts that are not paid by the Ministry of Health. Ask your employer, union or pension plan whether they administer an extended benefits plan. Private insurance companies may also cover persons who are not eligible for provincial health care benefits.

COLLECTION & USE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

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