

## Payment of Non Insured Health Benefits outside Canada

The NIHB Program will provide **some** benefits outside Canada provided you possess a valid Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) health card.

### **What is covered?**

- The cost of privately acquired health insurance for approved students or migrant workers and their legal dependents
- Transportation benefits, when eligible recipients are medically referred and approved for treatment outside of Canada by a provincial or territorial health care plan

### **Who can access the benefits?**

- A student following a course of post-secondary training or education from a recognized institution
- A migrant worker
- A legal dependent of a student or migrant worker

### **What are the NIHB client's responsibilities?**

- Ensure that you have been approved by a provincial or territorial health insurance plan to obtain medical treatment in another country before leaving Canada
- Contact your FNIHB Regional Office at 1-800-640-0642 with specific questions or to discuss details of your impending request.

## **IMPORTANT!**

**PLEASE NOTE:** This federal health services benefit CANNOT be used as an insurance plan when First Nations members travel outside of Canada on their own volition for leisure or recreation. Each First Nations member registered with the Canadian federal government (including minor children) must obtain appropriate private health insurance for the duration of their travel plans. This type of insurance can be privately purchased through a local travel agent, bank or insurance company. This purchase of private insurance is the responsibility of the First Nations members travelling outside of Canada and will not be entertained for reimbursement by Health Canada under any circumstance.