

## **Exemption**

### **from the compulsory swiss health insurance coverage**

#### **Non EU/EFTA Resident student only**

Students at Franklin University Switzerland (FUS) have the right to apply for an exemption from the compulsory Swiss health insurance, but they must submit documents and proof that they benefit from a high quality private health insurance to the Swiss authorities.

Each student's situation is different, and it is important that each student's family makes an informed decision about how to comply with the Swiss law and safeguard the student's health while at FUS. The private health insurance will need to complete the Swiss document, form (TI 6.3), and return it to FUS before the student enters Switzerland. The student will automatically be enrolled with Swica Favorit Medpharm (Option 2) until the Exemption request is officially approved by the Cantonal Department of Health Insurance. Once the request has been submitted, it is not possible to withdraw it.

**If and when the exemption is accepted**, the student becomes automatically responsible for the management of his/her medical bills and the insurance charges paid will be credited accordingly to the student's account.

**If the request of Exemption is denied**, the student will no longer have the option to select the Swica Student Care (Option 1) and will continue to be enrolled in Swica Favorit Medpharm for the duration of his stay at Franklin and pay for it accordingly.

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The application for exemption is a **five-page form (TI 6.3)** that **must be completed, signed and stamped by the private insurance**. It must be sent together with the insurance company's business-card to the Office of Student Life in order for an exemption request to be submitted to the Canton Ticino Department of Health Insurances (IAS), which reviews the form and then accepts or denies the request. The process can take up to six months, but the exemption is usually pre-dated to the month in which the application was submitted, (beginning of the Semester). Please send the entire documentation in original to:

Franklin University Switzerland  
Att. Elena Veri-Sartori – OSL  
Via Ponte Tresa 29  
6924 Sorengo  
(Switzerland)

Upon the student's arrival at FUS, when not eligible for SWICA STUDENT CARE, the student is automatically enrolled and covered by the SWICA FAVORIT MEDPHARM and charged for it.

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### **NOTES :**

- 1. ONCE THE REQUEST HAS BEEN SUBMITTED, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO WITHDRAW IT.**
- 2. Until the exemption has been approved, the student will be billed at the rates indicated on the SWICA FAVORIT MEDPHARM form signed.**

- 3. IF THE EXEMPTION IS DENIED:**

**The student will remain enrolled under SWICA FAVORIT MEDPHARM for the duration of his/her time as a FUS student. It is NOT possible to apply for SWICA STUDENT CARE once an application for an exemption is submitted – regardless of the outcome. Please review and compare the relevant prices and conditions to select the option that works best for you. You can find this information under SWICA Student Care on the student portal, or ask the Admissions team.**

- 4. IF THE EXEMPTION IS APPROVED:**

- The student will be retroactively reimbursed by the Franklin Bursar's Office for Swiss coverage already paid for. It is extremely important that the student provides all properly filled documentation by his/her private insurance provider before arrival at Franklin, to avoid risking not being fully reimbursed.**
- When the exemption is approved, students automatically become responsible for their medical bills.**
- Franklin's involvement in the student's health insurance policy ceases. The student is then responsible for processing any and all medical bills; for providing appropriate documentation to his/her home provider for reimbursement; and for providing and paying for translation services, where required, by the home provider. As all receipts and bills are written in the local language, it is best to ask the health insurance provider what they will need for reimbursement directly.**
- The Exemption expires the same day as the Swiss Residence Permit and needs to be renewed every year.**

I recognize that health coverage through a Swiss insurance provider is compulsory while I am studying in Switzerland. I accept that the charge will be added to my student account during the exemption application process and I have to pay any medical bill not covered and charged on my student account.

**Student Full Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student signature** \_\_\_\_\_  
Capital letters please

Parent/Guardian Full Name and signature \_\_\_\_\_

Semester of arrival at FUS: \_\_\_\_\_

Last semester at FUS: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_