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# Study USA

### **Basic Plan**

**Description of Coverage** 

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# Important Notice and Disclaimer Concerning the United States Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

This insurance is not subject to, and does not provide certain insurance benefits required by the United States' Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA"). PPACA requires certain US citizens or US residents to obtain PPACA compliant health insurance, or "minimum essential coverage." PPACA also requires certain employers to offer PPACA compliant insurance coverage to their employees. Tax penalties may be imposed on U.S. residents or citizens who do not maintain minimum essential coverage, and on certain employers who do not offer PPACA compliant insurance coverage to their employees. In some cases, certain individuals may be deemed to have minimum essential coverage under PPACA even if their insurance coverage does not provide all of the benefits required by PPACA. **You** should consult your attorney or tax professional to determine whether this policy meets any obligations **you** may have under PPACA.

## Description of Coverage Summary

This Description of Coverage is a summary of the provisions contained in Master Policy No.211920-SUSA. For a complete copy of the Master Policy, please contact WorldTrips.

This Description is to help **you** understand the insurance that **your** certificate provides. It details the key features, benefits, limitations, exclusions, definitions, Schedule of Benefits and Limits, and any endorsements, applying to **your certificate**.

The levels of coverage which apply to your coverage are detailed in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits.

# Important Features of Your Travel Insurance

### **Cancellation**

We hope you are happy with the cover this policy provides. However, if after reading it, this insurance does not meet with your requirements, please notify us of your wish to cancel and we will refund your premium.

Premiums will be refunded in full if a cancellation request is received prior to the certificate effective date.

Premiums may be refunded after the **certificate effective date** subject to the following provisions:

- 1. A \$25 cancellation fee will apply for administrative costs incurred by us; and
- 2. Only premium for unused whole-months, if paying in monthly installments, or unused days, if paid in full, of the plan will be refunded; and
- 3. You cannot have filed any claims to be eligible for a premium refund; and
- 4. No refund of premium shall be granted after 60 days.

### **U.S. Preferred Provider Organization (PPO)**

This insurance policy offers the option of a PPO network for medical treatment received in the United States. If **you** choose to seek treatment from a PPO provider, billed charges for eligible expenses may be reduced and **we** will remit payment directly to the provider. Additionally, **we** will apply the in-network **coinsurance** applicable to the expenses.

**You** may review a listing of **hospitals**, **physicians** and other medical service providers included in the PPO Network for the area where **you** will be receiving treatment by accessing the Internet website for WorldTrips: www.worldtrips.com. For assistance locating a provider, contact us at 1-800-605-2282.

### **Claims**

This insurance policy has in it a Claims Procedure which tells **you** what steps **you** must take to file a claim, and explains **our** obligations to **you**. Beginning on the last day of **your certificate period**, **you** shall have **60 days** to provide us **proof of claim**.

### **Appeals and Complaints**

This insurance policy has in it an Appeals and Complaints Procedure which tells **you** what steps **you** can take if **you** wish to make an appeal or complaint.

### **Definitions**

This insurance policy has defined terms, indicated by bolded words (excluding headers). The defined terms may be found in the relevant benefit section or in the general definitions.

### **Pre-Existing Conditions**

This insurance policy excludes coverage for **pre-existing conditions**, except an Emergency Medical Evacuation, or Repatriation of Remains, subject to the limits set forth in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits.

This policy defines a **pre-existing condition.** .

### **Data Protection**

**We** respect individual privacy and value **your** confidence. **We** restrict access to personal information to employees/partners who need to know that information in order to perform their jobs. Any employee that **we** determine is in violation of this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination and criminal prosecution.

**We** will not disclose **your** personal information to third parties outside WorldTrips and **our** partners unless ordered to do so to comply with the law of the countries in which **we** do business or when complying with the legal process.

### **Rights of Third Parties**

You may assign benefits under this insurance to a **hospital**, **physician** or other provider. Any assignment shall not confer upon such **hospital**, **physician** or other provider, any right or privilege granted to **you** under this insurance except for the right to receive benefits, if any, which are determined to be due and payable hereunder. No **hospital**, **physician** or other provider shall have any direct or indirect claim or right of action against **us**.

### **Law and Jurisdiction**

No action of law or equity may be brought to recover benefits under this insurance until 60 days after written proof of claim has been provided to **us**. No such action may be brought after the end of three (3) years after the time written proof of claim is required to be furnished. The validity, interpretation, and performance of this agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Bermuda.

### **Arbitration**

EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN TYPES OF DISPUTES DESCRIBED IN THE "ARBITRATION AND CLASS ACTION WAIVER", AND IF YOU DO NOT OPT-OUT AS SET FORTH IN THAT SAME SECTION, YOU AGREE THAT DISPUTES BETWEEN YOU AND WORLDTRIPS AND/OR THE UNDERWRITERS WILL BE RESOLVED BY BINDING, INDIVIDUAL ARBITRATION, AND YOU WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO BRING OR RESOLVE ANY DISPUTE AS, OR PARTICIPATE IN, A CLASS, CONSOLIDATED, REPRESENTATIVE, COLLECTIVE, OR PRIVATE ATTORNEY GENERAL ACTION OR ARBITRATION

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These details can be checked on the Financial Services Register by visiting: www.fca.org.uk or contacting the Financial Conduct Authority on 0800 111 6768.

## Member Eligibility

### **Eligibility**

#### A. Participant

- 1. You must be under age 65; and
  - a. A full-time student at a college or university (excluding online colleges and universities); or
  - b. Within 31 days of being a full-time student at a college or university; or
  - c. A student under age 19 enrolled in a secondary school; or
  - d. A **full-time scholar** affiliated with an educational institution and performing work or research for at least 30 hours per week; and
- 2. **You** must be residing outside **your home country** for the purpose of pursuing international educational activities; and
- 3. You must not have obtained residency status in your host country; and
- 4. If in the U.S., **you** must hold a valid education-related visa. A copy of the I-20 or DS2019 may be requested.

J-1 and F-1 visa holders: The **full-time student/scholar** status requirement is waived within the U.S. if **you** have a valid F-1 visa (including OPT) or a J-1 visa. Full-time status requirements remain in force for individuals holding M-1, or other category visas.

### **B.** Dependents

- 1. **You** be the **participant's** legally married spouse, or must be the **participant's** unmarried child under age 19 years and chiefly dependent on the participant for support and maintenance; and
- 2. **You** must accompany the **participant** abroad on a similar visa or passport while the **participant** engages in international educational activities; and
- 3. You must be temporarily located outside the participant's home country; and
- 4. **You** must not have obtained residency status in the **host country**.

### C. Special Conditions for Newborn or Adopted Children:

- Newborn or adopted children will be automatically covered as **dependents** for the first 31 days of life
  provided that the delivery is covered by this insurance or placement occurs while the **participant's**coverage is in effect. If the delivery of the newborn is not covered under this insurance, the newborn is
  eligible for coverage beginning at 14 days of age.
- Newborn and adopted children must be enrolled within the first 31 days after birth for newborns or within 31 days of placement for adoptions. Enrollment requires written notification of the new dependent's name, birth date, gender, and citizenship as well as payment of any additional premium due.
- 3. If a newborn or adopted child is not enrolled by the 31<sup>st</sup> day following birth (for newborns) or placement (for adopted children), then coverage terminates on the 31<sup>st</sup> day.

# Certificate Effective & Termination Dates

### **Certificate Effective Date**

Insurance hereunder is effective on the later of:

- 1. The moment **we** receive an application and correct premium if the application and payment is made online or by fax;
- 2. 12:01am U.S. Eastern Time on the date we receive an application and correct premium if the application and payment is made by mail;
- 3. The moment you depart from your home country; or
- 4. 12:01am U.S. Eastern Time on the date requested on the application.

### **Certificate Termination Date**

Insurance hereunder terminates on the earlier of:

- 1. 11:59pm U.S. Eastern Time on the last day of the period for which premium has been paid;
- 2. 11:59pm U.S. Eastern Time on the date requested on the application;
- 3. 12:01am U.S. Eastern Time on the date you no longer meet eligibility requirements; or
- 4. The moment of arrival upon **your** return to **your home country** (unless **you** have started a benefit period or are eligible for home country coverage).

# Benefit Period & Home Country Coverage

### **Benefit Period**

While the **certificate** is in effect, the benefit period does not apply. Upon termination of the **certificate**, in accordance with this provision, **we** will pay eligible medical expenses for up to 60 days beginning on the first day of diagnosis or treatment of a covered **injury** or **illness** while **you** are outside **your home country** and while this **certificate** is in effect. The benefit period applies only to eligible medical expenses related to a condition for which **you** are hospitalized as an **inpatient** on the termination date of the **certificate**.

In the event you begin a benefit period while the **certificate** is in effect, and the **certificate** terminates because you return to your home country, we will pay eligible medical expenses which are incurred in your home country during the benefit period. Home country coverage applies only to eligible medical expenses for which you are hospitalized as an **inpatient** on the termination date of the **certificate**.

### **Incidental Home Country Coverage**

For every three-month period during which **you** are covered, **you** are eligible for up to a maximum of 15 days of coverage in **your** home country for eligible medical expenses. Any benefit accrued under a single three-month period does not accumulate to another period. Failure to continue **your** international trip or **your** return to **your home country** for the sole purpose of obtaining treatment for an **illness** or **injury** that began while traveling shall void any home country coverage provided under the terms of this agreement.

For all non-U.S. citizens electing coverage "Excluding the U.S." and for all U.S. citizens or residents, no coverage is provided within the U.S., except for U.S. citizens or residents during an eligible incidental home country visit or an eligible benefit period.

Except for a benefit period, coverage provided under this Master Policy is for a maximum duration of 364 days. Any extension is based upon the eligibility rules in force and is solely at **our** discretion.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, coverage under all plans shall terminate on the date **we**, at **our** sole option, elect to cancel all **members** of the same sex, age, class or geographic location, provided **we** give no less than 30 days advance written notice by mail to **your** last known address.

### Schedule of Benefits and Limits

Plan Details	
Overall Maximum Limit	\$200,000
Maximum per Injury / Illness	\$100,000
Deductibles (except Emergency Room)	\$250 per <b>injury</b> or <b>illness</b> within the Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) network or <b>student health center</b> ; otherwise \$500 per <b>injury</b> or <b>Illness</b> .  If treatment received outside of U.S., \$250 per <b>illness</b> or

	injury.
Emergency Room Deductible (claims incurred in U.S. only)	\$500 for treatment received in an emergency room unless admitted as inpatient
Coinsurance - Claims Incurred in the U.S.	
In-Network Payment	Within the PPO: We will pay 80% of eligible expenses, after the deductible, up to the overall maximum limit.
Out-Of-Network Payment	Outside the PPO: Usual, reasonable, and customary. You may be responsible for any charges exceeding the payable amount.
Coinsurance - Claims Incurred Outside the U.S.	<b>We</b> will pay 100% of eligible expenses, after the deductible, up to the overall maximum limit.

Eligible expenses are subject to **deductible**, **coinsurance**, overall maximum limit, and are per **certificate period** unless specifically indicated otherwise.

Benefit	Limit
Hospital Room and Board	Average semi-private room rate, including nursing services
Intensive Care Unit	Up to the overall maximum limit
Local Ambulance	Up to \$300 per <b>injury</b> or <b>illness</b> , when covered <b>illness</b> or <b>injury</b> results in hospitalization as inpatient <i>not subject to coinsurance</i>
Outpatient Treatment	Up to the overall maximum limit
Outpatient Prescription Drugs	50% of actual charges- not subject to coinsurance
Outpatient Physical Therapy & Chiropractic Care	Up to \$25 per visit per day - not subject to coinsurance  Must be ordered in advance by a physician and not obtained at a student health center
Sports & Activities - Leisure, Recreational, Entertainment, or Fitness	Up to the overall maximum limit
Mental Health Disorders (excludes drug abuse and alcohol abuse)	Treatment must not be provided at a <b>student health center</b> . <b>Outpatient</b> : \$50 maximum per day, \$500 maximum. <b>Inpatient</b> : Up to \$5,000.
All Other Eligible Medical Expenses	Up to the overall maximum limit
Emergency Travel Benefits	Limit
Emergency Medical Evacuation	Up to \$50,000 lifetime maximum - not subject to deductible, coinsurance, or overall maximum limit
Repatriation of Remains	Up to \$25,000 lifetime maximum - not subject to deductible, coinsurance, or overall maximum limit
Emergency Reunion	Up to \$1,500, subject to a maximum of 15 days - not subject to deductible, coinsurance, or overall maximum limit

**Certificate Period** means the period of time beginning on the date and time of the **certificate effective date** and ending on the date and time of the **certificate termination date**.

Coinsurance means your payment of eligible expenses as specified in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits.

**Deductible** means the dollar amount of eligible expenses, specified in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits that **you** must pay per **certificate period** before eligible expenses are paid.

Usual, Reasonable and Customary means the lesser of the following:

- 1. One and a half times (150%) of the charges payable under the United States Medicare program, for claims incurred outside the PPO network within the U.S., or
- 2. Most common charge for similar services, medicines or supplies within the area in which the charge is incurred, so long as those charges are reasonable. What is defined as usual, reasonable and customary charges will be determined by us. In determining whether a charge is usual, reasonable and customary, we may consider one or more of the following factors: the level of skill, extent of training, and experience required to perform the procedure or service; the length of time required to perform the procedure or services as compared to the length of time required to perform other similar services; the severity or nature of the illness or injury being treated; the amount charged for the same or comparable services, medicines or supplies in the locality; the amount charged for the same or comparable services, medicines or supplies in other parts of the country; the cost to the provider of providing the service, medicine or supply; such other factors we, in the reasonable exercise of discretion, determine are appropriate.

# U.S. Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Requirements

Nothing contained in this insurance restricts or interferes with **your** right to select the **hospital**, **physician** or other medical service provider of **your** choice. Nothing contained in this insurance restricts or interferes with the relationship between **you** and the **hospital**, **physician** or other providers with respect to treatment or care of any condition, nor **your** right to receive, at **your** own expense, services and/or supplies that are not covered under this insurance.

To comply with the United States Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) requirements, **you** must receive medical treatment from PPO providers while in the United States. If **you** choose to seek treatment from a PPO provider, **we** will waive the **coinsurance** applicable to the expenses.

**You** may review a listing of **hospitals**, **physicians** and other medical service providers included in the PPO Network for the area where **you** will be receiving treatment by accessing the Internet website for WorldTrips: <a href="https://www.worldtrips.com">www.worldtrips.com</a>. For assistance locating a provider, contact us at 1-800-605-2282.

### Claim Procedures

**You** must submit a claim for any expenses to be paid by **us**. This includes treatment or services for which the medical provider will bill **us** directly. No payments will be made by **us** without **you** first submitting a claim.

Notice of claim, Claimant's Statement and Authorization, and proof of claim must be mailed to:

WorldTrips P.O. Box 2005 Farmington Hills, MI 48333-2005 USA

### **Proof of Claim**

When **we** receive notice of a claim, **we** will provide **you** with forms for filing proof of claim. The following is considered to be proof of claim:

- 1. A completed and signed Claimant's Statement and Authorization form, together with any/all required attachments;
- 2. Original itemized bills from physicians, hospitals and other medical providers; and
- 3. Original receipts for any expenses which have already been paid by you or on your behalf.

Beginning on the last day of **your certificate period**, **you** shall have **60 days** to provide us **proof of claim** (unless medical services were rendered after the certificate termination date, in which case **you** shall have **60** days from the date the claim is incurred). Subsequent to receipt of **proof of claim**, **we** may, at **our** sole discretion, request and require additional information, including but not limited to medical records, necessary to confirm the validity of any claim prior to payment thereof.

### **Claims Cooperation**

**You** shall provide assistance and co-operate with **us** or **our** representatives in obtaining any other records **we** or they feel necessary to evaluate the incident or claim. Following notification of a claim, **you** shall provide, when asked, all authorizations necessary to obtain **your** medical records. If **you** do not co-operate with **us** and/or **our** investigation of the claim, **we** shall not be liable to pay any claim.

### Access to Additional Materials

**You** shall provide **us**, or **our** designated representatives, all information, documentation, medical information that **we** or they may reasonably require during the term of this policy, or until all claims have been resolved, whichever is later.

### Other Insurance

**We** shall not pay any claim if there is other insurance which would, or would but for the existence of this insurance, pay such claim. This insurance will apply with respect to expenses in excess of the amount paid or payable under such other insurance. **We** shall not pay any claim in respect to care, treatment, services or supplies furnished by any program or agency funded by any government.

# Appeal and Complaints Procedure

### **Appealing a Claim**

In the event **we** deny all or part of a claim under this insurance, **you** may file a written appeal with **us**. The written appeal must include sufficient information to identify the claim under appeal and must specify the reason(s) for the appeal with supporting documentation, if applicable.

Please provide your written appeal online, by email, or by postal mail at the following:

Online: http://service.worldtrips.com/

Email: appeals@worldtrips.com

Postal Mail: WorldTrips Appeals

P.O. Box 2058

Farmington Hills, MI 48333

**USA** 

When we receive the appeal, we will review the claim and a written response will be sent to you. After you receive our response to the appeal, you may initiate a second appeal. With our receipt of the second appeal, medical and/or claims personnel who were not involved in the original claim determination or the initial appeal will review the claim. A final determination will be made and a letter will be sent to you.

Please note that appealing a claim is not a requirement to following the complaints procedure detailed below.

### **Complaints Procedure**

We are dedicated to providing a high-quality service and want to ensure that it is maintained at all times. If you feel that we or another party connected with this policy have not offered a first class service please contact **us** and **we** will do our best to resolve the problem.

Please provide your written complaint online, by email, or by postal mail at the following:

Online: http://service.worldtrips.com/

Email: appeals@worldtrips.com Postal Mail:

WorldTrips Appeals

P.O. Box 2058

Farmington Hills, MI 48333

**USA** 

You will be contacted within 3 (three) business days to inform you of what action is being taken. We will try to resolve the problem and give you an answer within four weeks. If it will take longer than four weeks we will tell you when you can expect an answer.

If you are a UK citizen and you have not been given an answer within 8 (eight) weeks or should you remain dissatisfied, you may if you wish, refer your complaint to Lloyd's, who will investigate and assess your complaint. Lloyd's contact details are as follows:

Complaints Lloyd's One Lime Street London EC3M 7HA

Email: complaints@lloyds.com Telephone: +44 (0)20 7327 5693 +44 (0)20 7327 5225 Fax:

www.lloyds.com/complaints Web:

This complaints procedure does not affect any legal right **you** have to take action. Once **you** have received **your** final response from Lloyd's, and if **you** are still not satisfied **you** can contact the Financial Ombudsman Service:

Financial Ombudsman Service

Exchange Tower, Harbour Exchange Square, London, E14 9SR

Phone: +44 (0) 20 7964 0500

Email: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk

If you have purchased your policy online or by other electronic means within the European Union (EU) you may also make your complaint via the EU's online dispute resolution (ODR) platform. The website for the ODR platform is: http://ec.europa.eu/odr

### **Arbitration and Class Action Waiver**

Excluding claims for injunctive or other equitable relief, any dispute or controversy between a Member and any of WorldTrips, Underwriters or their affiliates arising out of or relating to this Master Policy, including without limitation, any and all disputes, claims (whether in tort, contract, statutory or otherwise) or disagreements concerning the existence, breach, interpretation, application or termination of this Master Policy, shall be resolved by final and binding arbitration pursuant to the Federal Arbitration Act and in accordance with the JAMS Inc. Comprehensive Arbitration Rules & Procedures then in effect. Such claims shall be arbitrated on an individual basis only and the parties waive any right or authority for any claims to be resolved in a class, consolidated, representative, collective or private attorney general action or arbitration. Instructions regarding how to commence an arbitration are available on the JAMS website, located at https://www.jamsadr.com. The arbitration shall take place in Houston, Texas or at the option of the party seeking relief, by telephone, online, or via written submissions alone, and be administered by JAMS. The arbitral tribunal ("Tribunal") shall be composed of one arbitrator, who shall be independent and impartial. If the parties fail to agree on the arbitrator within twenty (20) calendar days after the initiation of an arbitration hereunder, JAMS shall appoint the arbitrator. The arbitration shall be conducted in the English language. The decision of the arbitrator will be final and binding on the parties. Judgment on any award(s) rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. The arbitrator shall have the authority to determine arbitrability of any disputes arising out of or relating to this Master Policy. Nothing in this Section shall prevent either party from seeking immediate injunctive relief from any court of competent jurisdiction, and any such request shall not be deemed incompatible with the agreement to arbitrate or a waiver of the right to arbitrate. The parties undertake to keep confidential all awards in their arbitration, together with all confidential information, all materials in the proceedings created for the purpose of the arbitration and all other documents produced by the other party in the proceedings and not otherwise in the public domain, save and to the extent that disclosure may be required of a party by legal duty, to protect or pursue a legal right or to enforce or challenge an award in legal proceedings before a court or other judicial authority. The arbitrator shall award all fees and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, to the prevailing party. This agreement to arbitrate does not apply to claims Members may have for medical malpractice against their medical providers.

Members may choose to opt out of the agreement to arbitrate by mailing a written opt-out notice ("Notice") to WorldTrips. The Notice must be postmarked no later than sixty (60) days after the last day of your certificate period. The Notice must be mailed to: HCC Insurance Holdings, 13403 NW Freeway, Houston, Texas 77040, to the attention of General Counsel. This procedure is the only mechanism by which you can opt out of the

agreement to arbitrate. Opting out of the agreement to arbitrate has no effect on any other parts of this Master Policy, or any previous or future arbitration agreements that you have entered into with WorldTrips.

## **Pre-Existing Medical Conditions**

Charges resulting directly or indirectly from any **pre-existing conditions** are excluded from this insurance except charges resulting directly from an Emergency Medical Evacuation, or Repatriation of Remains, subject to the limits set forth in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits.

### Pre-existing Condition means any

- (1) condition for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment (includes receiving services and supplies, consultations, diagnostic tests or prescription medicines) was recommended or received during the 12 months immediately preceding the certificate effective date;
- (2) condition that had manifested itself in such a manner that would have caused a reasonably prudent person to seek medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment (includes receiving services and supplies, consultations, diagnostic tests or prescription medicines) within the 12 months immediately preceding the certificate effective date;
- (3) **injury**, **illness**, sickness, disease, or other physical, medical, mental, or nervous conditions, disorder or ailment (whether known or unknown) that, with reasonable medical certainty, existed at the time of application or within the 12 months immediately preceding the certificate effective date.

### **Medical & Repatriation Expenses**

Subject to the limits set forth in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits, and subject to the conditions and restrictions contained in this provision, **we** will pay the following expenses incurred while this insurance is in effect.

### **Medical Expenses**

#### YOU ARE COVERED:

- 1. Charges made by a hospital for:
  - a. Daily room and board and nursing services not to exceed the average semi-private room rate; and
  - b. Daily room and board and nursing services in Intensive Care Unit; and
  - c. Use of operating, treatment or recovery room; and
  - d. Services and supplies which are routinely provided by the hospital to persons for use while inpatients; and
  - e. Emergency treatment of an **injury** or **illness**, even if **hospital** confinement is not required. However, charges for use of the emergency room itself within the U.S. will be subject to deductible as provided under the Schedule of Benefits and Limits.
- 2. Surgery at an outpatient surgical facility, including services and supplies.
- 3. Charges made by a **physician** for professional services, including **virtual physician visits** and **surgery**. Charges for an assistant surgeon are covered up to 20% of the **usual**, **reasonable and customary** charge

- of the primary surgeon, but standby availability will not be deemed to be a professional service and therefore is not covered hereunder.
- 4. Dressings, sutures, casts or other supplies which are **medically necessary** and administered by or under the supervision of a **physician**, but excluding nebulizers, oxygen tanks, diabetic supplies, supplies that are available over the counter or without prescriptions, and support or brace appliances.
- 5. Diagnostic testing using radiology, ultrasonographic or laboratory services (psychometric, intelligence, behavioral and educational testing are not included).
- 6. Artificial limbs, eyes or larynx, breast prosthesis or basic functional artificial limbs, but not the replacement or repair thereof.
- 7. Reconstructive **surgery** when the **surgery** is directly related to **surgery** which is covered hereunder.
- 8. For radiation therapy or treatment and chemotherapy.
- 9. Hemodialysis and the charges by the **hospital** for processing and administration of blood or blood components but not the cost of the actual blood or blood components.
- 10. Oxygen and other gasses and their administration by or under the supervision of a physician.
- 11. Anesthetics and their administration by a physician.
- 12. Drugs which require prescription by a **physician** for treatment of a covered **injury** or **illness**, but excluding drugs: prescribed for the treatment of diabetes, replacement of lost, stolen, damaged, expired or otherwise compromised drugs.
- 13. Care in a licensed extended care facility upon direct transfer from an acute care hospital.
- 14. Home nursing care in bed by a qualified licensed professional, provided by a home health care agency upon direct transfer from an acute care hospital and only in lieu of medically necessary inpatient hospitalization.
- 15. Emergency local ambulance transport necessarily incurred in connection with **injury** or **illness** resulting in **inpatient** hospitalization.
- 16. **Medically necessary** rental of **durable medical equipment** (consisting of a standard basic hospital bed and or a standard basic wheelchair) up to the purchase prices.
- 17. Outpatient physical therapy if prescribed by a **physician** for treatment of a covered **injury** or **illness**.
- 18. For treatment of mental health disorders.

#### YOU ARE NOT COVERED IF:

1. Expenses arise directly or indirectly from anything in the General Exclusions.

### **Emergency Medical Evacuation**

### YOU ARE COVERED:

- 1. Emergency air transportation to a suitable airport nearest to the **hospital** where **you** will receive treatment; and
- 2. Emergency ground transportation necessarily preceding emergency air transportation; and from the destination airport to the **hospital** where **you** will receive treatment.

### **YOU ARE NOT COVERED** unless **you** fulfill the following conditions:

1. The evacuation is recommended by the attending **physician** who certifies that it is **medically necessary** and that transportation by any other method would result in the loss of **your** life or limb; and

- 2. The evacuation is agreed upon by you or your relative; and
- 3. Travel arrangements, excluding Emergency Local Ambulance, are approved in advance and coordinated by **us**.

### YOU ARE NOT COVERED IF:

- 1. The illness or injury giving rise to the expense is not covered under this insurance; or
- 2. Medically necessary treatment, services and supplies can be provided locally; or
- 3. If transportation by any other method would not result in the loss of your life or limb; or
- 4. The condition giving rise to the Emergency Medical Evacuation did not occur spontaneously and without advance warning, either in the form of **physician** recommendation or symptoms which would have caused a prudent person to seek medical attention prior to the onset of the emergency; or
- 5. Expenses are directly or indirectly from anything in the General Exclusions.

We will provide Emergency Medical Evacuation only to the nearest hospital that is qualified to provide the medically necessary treatment, services and supplies to prevent your loss of life or limb.

The timeliness of arrangements can be affected by circumstances which are not within **our** control such as: availability of transportation equipment and staff, delays or restrictions on flights caused by mechanical problems, government officials, telecommunications problems, weather and other acts of God. **We** shall not be held liable for any delays that are not within **our** direct and immediate control.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, and if you are visiting the U.S., we will pay for expenses to return you to your home country if the attending physician and our medical consultant agree that transfer to your home country is more appropriate than transfer to the nearest qualified hospital.

### **Repatriation of Remains**

#### YOU ARE COVERED:

- 1. Air or ground transportation of bodily remains or ashes to the airport or ground transportation terminal nearest **your** principal residence; and
- 2. Reasonable costs of preparation of the remains necessary for transportation.

### **YOU ARE NOT COVERED** unless **you** fulfill the following conditions:

- 1. The illness or injury giving rise to the expense are covered under this insurance; and
- 2. Travel arrangements are approved in advance and coordinated by us.

#### YOU ARE NOT COVERED IF:

1. Expenses arise directly or indirectly from anything in the General Exclusions.

**We** are held harmless and shall not be held liable for loss of or any damage or other impairment to bodily remains incurred during the repatriation process or otherwise.

The timeliness of arrangements can be affected by circumstances which are not within **our** control such as: availability of transportation equipment and staff, delays or restrictions on flights caused by mechanical problems, government officials, telecommunications problems, weather and other acts of God. **We** shall not be held liable for any delays that are not within **our** direct and immediate control.

### **Emergency Reunion**

#### YOU ARE COVERED:

- The cost of an economy round-trip air or ground transportation ticket for one relative for transportation
  to the terminal serving the area where you are hospitalized or are to be hospitalized following
  Emergency Medical Evacuation; and
- 2. Reasonable expenses for lodging and meals for the **relative**, which are incurred in the area where **you** are hospitalized for a period not to exceed 15 days.

### YOU ARE NOT COVERED unless you fulfill the following conditions:

- 1. You have a covered Emergency Medical Evacuation; or
- 2. You are hospitalized as an **inpatient** for at least five days due to a life-threatening covered condition. Emergency Reunion benefits not related to an Emergency Medical Evacuation will be paid only following the end of the minimum five day **inpatient** stay.

### YOU ARE NOT COVERED IF:

1. Expenses arise directly or indirectly from anything in the General Exclusions.

## **Sports and Activities**

### Leisure, Recreational, Entertainment, or Fitness Sports and Activities

### YOU ARE COVERED:

1. Subject to the overall maximum limit, **you** are covered for injury or illness sustained while taking part in sports and activities, unless it is excluded below.

**You** must ensure the activity is adequately supervised and that appropriate safety equipment (such as protective headwear, life jackets etc.) are worn at all times.

#### YOU ARE NOT COVERED IF:

- 1. The sports or athletics involve regular or scheduled practice and/or games; or
- 2. The sports or athletics are intercollegiate, interscholastic, intramural, or club sports; or
- 3. The activity is performed in a professional capacity or for any wage, reward, or profit; or
- 4. Expenses arise directly or indirectly from anything mentioned in the General Exclusions; or
- 5. Any of the excluded items listed below:
  - Aviation (except when traveling solely as a passenger in a commercial aircraft)
  - Base Jumping
  - BMX freestyle
  - Bungee Jumping
  - Free-Diving
  - Hang-Gliding
  - Jet Skiing

- Mountaineering where a reasonably prudent person would use ropes or guides or at elevations of 4,500 meters or higher
- Parachuting
- Racing by any Animal, Motorized Vehicle, or BMX
- Skateboarding
- Sky Diving
- Sky Surfing
- Snow Skiing and Snowboarding, except recreational downhill and/or cross country snow skiing or snowboarding (no cover provided while skiing away from prepared and marked in-bound territories and/or against the advice of the local ski school or local authoritative body)
- Spelunking
- Sub Aqua Pursuits involving underwater breathing apparatus unless accompanied by a certified instructor at depths less than 10 meters, or PADI/NAUI certified
- Surfing
- Whitewater Kayaking and Rafting

### **Terrorism**

Charges resulting directly or indirectly from any Act of Terrorism are excluded under this insurance.

### YOU ARE NOT COVERED FOR:

- 1. Loss, damage, cost or expense directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any of the following regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss, damage, cost or expense:
  - War, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power;
  - b. The use of any biological, chemical, **cyber**, radioactive or nuclear agent, material, device or weapon; however, this exclusion shall not apply where **you** are exposed to nuclear radioactive and/or radioactive material for the purpose of medical treatment;
  - c. Any Act of Terrorism, not specifically covered above;
  - d. Coverage for loss, damage, cost or expense of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to (a), (b) or (c) above; or
  - e. Expenses arise directly or indirectly from anything mentioned in the General Exclusions.

For the purpose of this insurance, an "Act of Terrorism" means an act, including but not limited to, the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organization(s) or government(s) committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear.

If **we** allege that by reason of this exclusion, any loss, damage, cost or expense is not covered by this insurance, the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon **you**.

In the event any portion of this exclusion is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

**Cyber** means the use or operations, as a means for inflicting harm, of any computer, computer software program, malicious code, computer virus or process or any other electronic system.

### **General Exclusions**

Excluded Conditions, Treatments (includes Diagnoses, Tests, and Examinations), Services, Supplies, Acts, Omissions, and/or Events:

- 1. **Pre-existing Conditions**, except charges resulting directly from an Emergency Medical Evacuation or Repatriation of Remains, subject to the limits set forth in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits.
- 2. Congenital illnesses.
- 3. Routine physical exams, and other diagnostic labs, x-rays, and procedures for screening or preventative purposes.
- 4. Vaccinations.
- 5. Dental treatment and treatment of the temporomandibular joint.
- 6. Mental health disorders if treatment is obtained at a student health center.
- 7. Physical therapy if treatment is obtained at a **student health center**.
- 8. Chiropractic treatment, unless ordered in advance by a **physician** for **medically necessary** treatment related to a covered **injury** or **illness**, and not obtained at a **student health center**.
- 9. Routine pre-natal care, pregnancy, childbirth, post-natal care, and nursery care of a newborn.
- 10. Termination of pregnancy.
- 11. Promotion or prevention of conception including but not limited to: artificial insemination, treatment for infertility, sterilization or reversal of sterilization.
- 12. All sexually transmitted diseases and conditions.
- 13. HIV, AIDS, or ARC, and all diseases caused by and/or related to HIV.
- 14. Organ or tissue transplants or related services.
- 15. Self-inflicted injury or illness and/or suicide or attempted suicide whether sane or insane.
- 16. **Injury** sustained that is due wholly or partially to the effects of intoxication or drugs other than drugs taken in accordance with treatment prescribed by a **physician** and except drugs prescribed for the treatment of **substance abuse**.
- 17. Voluntarily using any drug, narcotic or controlled substance, unless as prescribed by a physician.
- 18. Charges resulting from or occurring during the commission of a violation of law, including without limitation, the engaging in an illegal occupation or act, but excluding minor traffic violations.
- 19. Eye **surgery**, such as corrective refractory **surgery**, when the primary purpose is to correct nearsightedness, farsightedness or astigmatism.
- 20. Corrective devices and medical appliances, including eyeglasses, contact lenses, hearing aids, hearing implants, eye refraction, visual therapy, and any examination or fitting related to these devices, dentures or dental appliances, and all vision and hearing tests and examinations.
- 21. Orthoptics and visual eye training.

- 22. Orthopedic shoes, orthopedic prescription devices to be attached to or placed in shoes, treatment of weak, strained, flat, unstable or unbalanced feet, metatarsalgia or bunions, and treatment of corns, calluses or toenails.
- 23. Hair loss including wigs, hair transplants or any drug that promises hair growth, whether or not prescribed.
- 24. Acne, moles, skin tags, diseases of sebaceous glands, seborrhea, sebaceous cyst, hypertrophic and atrophic conditions of skin, nevus.
- 25. Sleep apnea or other sleep disorders.
- 26. Speech, vocational, occupational, biofeedback, acupuncture, recreational, sleep or music therapy, holistic care of any nature, massage and kinestherapy.
- 27. Psychometric, intelligence, competency, behavioral and educational testing.
- 28. While confined primarily to receive **custodial care**, educational or rehabilitative care, or any medical treatment in any establishment for the care of the aged, except rehabilitative care received upon direct transfer from an acute care **hospital**.
- 29. Cosmetic or aesthetic reasons, except for reconstructive **surgery** when such **surgery** is directly related to and follows a **surgery** which was covered hereunder.
- 30. Modifications of the physical body intended to improve the psychological, mental or emotional well-being, including but not limited to sex-change **surgery**.
- 31. Obesity or weight modification, including but not limited to wiring of the teeth and all forms of intestinal bypass **surgery**.
- 32. Exercise programs, whether or not prescribed or recommended by a physician.
- 33. Incurred as a result of exposure to non-medical nuclear radiation and/or radioactive material(s).
- 34. Any **illness** or **injury** incurred as a result of epidemics, pandemics, public health emergencies, natural disasters, or other disease outbreak conditions that may affect a person's health when, prior to **your** effective date, any of the following were issued:
  - a. The United States Centers for Disease Control & Prevention had issued a Warning/Alert Level 3 or higher for a location or destination, including **common carriers**; or
  - b. The United States Centers for Disease Control & Prevention had issued a Global or Worldwide Warning/Alert Level 3 or higher.

This exclusion is applicable when 1) any of the above were in effect within 6 months immediately prior to **your** effective date or 2) within 10 days following the date the alert/warning is issued **you** have failed to depart the country or location.

- 35. Investigational, experimental or for research purposes.
- 36. Complications or consequences of a treatment or condition not covered hereunder.
- 37. Incurred outside your certificate period.
- 38. Submitted to us for payment more than 60 days after the last day of the certificate period.
- 39. Exceeding usual, reasonable and customary.
- 40. Not medically necessary.
- 41. Not administered by or ordered by a physician.
- 42. Provided by a relative, family member or any person who ordinarily resides with you.
- 43. Provided at no cost to you.
- 44. Failure to keep a scheduled appointment.
- 45. When departure from the **home country** is to obtain treatment in the destination country/countries.
- 46. Travel or accommodations, except as provided for in the Local Ambulance, Emergency Medical Evacuation, Repatriation of Remains, and Emergency Reunion sections of this insurance.
- 47. Payable under any government system, including the Australian Medicare system.

- 48. Payable under Worker's Compensation or Employer's Liability Laws, or by any coverage provided or required by law.
- 49. War, military action or while on duty as a member of a police or military force unit.
- 50. Not included as Eligible Expenses as described herein.

### **Definitions**

**Accident** means a sudden, unintentional and unexpected occurrence caused by external, visible means and resulting in physical **injury** to **you**. The cause or one of the causes of such **accident** is external to **your** own body and occurs beyond **your** control.

**Alcohol Abuse** means any pattern of pathological use of alcohol that causes impairment in social or occupational functioning, or that produces physiological dependency evidenced by physical tolerance or by physical symptoms when it is withdrawn.

**Beneficiary** means the individual named in **your** application to be the recipient of any Accidental Death or Common Carrier Accidental Death benefit. If **you** do not designate a **beneficiary** on the application, the **beneficiary** is automatically as follows:

Members age 18 or older: 1. Spouse (if any), 2. Children (if any) equally, 3. Your estate.

Members under age 18: 1. Custodial Parent(s) (if any), 2. Siblings (if any) equally, 3. Your estate.

**Certificate** means the document issued to **you** that provides evidence of benefits payable under the Master Policy.

**Certificate Period** means the period of time beginning on the date and time of the **certificate effective date** and ending on the date and time of the **certificate termination date**.

**Coinsurance** means **your** payment of eligible expenses at the percentage specified in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits.

**Common Carrier** means an airplane, bus, train or watercraft operating for commercial purposes and carrying fare-paying passengers on regularly scheduled and published routes.

**Custodial Care** means that type of care or service, wherever furnished and by whatever name called, that is designed primarily to assist **you** in performing the activities of daily living. Custodial care also includes non-acute care for the comatose, semi-comatose, paralyzed or mentally incompetent patients.

**Cyber** means the use or operations, as a means for inflicting harm, of any computer, computer software program, malicious code, computer virus or process or any other electronic system.

**Deductible** means the dollar amount of eligible expenses, specified in the Schedule of Benefits and Limits that **you** must pay per **certificate period** before eligible expenses are paid.

**Dental Treatment** means the care of teeth, gums or bones supporting the teeth, including dentures and preparation for dentures.

**Dependent** means the **participant's** legally married spouse, or the **participant's** unmarried child under age 19 years and chiefly dependent on the **participant** for support and maintenance, who is enrolled for coverage under this plan.

**Drug Abuse** means any pattern of pathological use of a drug that causes impairment in social or occupational functioning, or that produces physiological dependency evidenced by physical tolerance or by physical symptoms when it is withdrawn.

**Durable Medical Equipment** means a standard basic hospital bed and/or a standard basic wheelchair.

**Educational or Rehabilitative Care** means care for restoration (by education or training) of one's ability to function in a normal or near normal manner following an **illness** or **injury**. This type of care includes, but is not limited to, vocational or occupational therapy and speech therapy.

**Emergency** means a medical condition manifesting itself by acute signs or symptoms which could reasonably result in placing **your** life or limb in danger if medical attention is not provided within 24 hours.

**Extended Care Facility** means an institution, or a distinct part of an institution, which is licensed as a **hospital**, **extended care facility** or rehabilitation facility by the state in which it operates; and is regularly engaged in providing 24-hour skilled nursing care under the regular supervision of a **physician** and the direct supervision of a registered nurse; and maintains a daily record on each patient; and provides each patient with a planned program of observation prescribed by a **physician**; and provides each patient with active treatment of an **illness** or **injury**. **Extended care facility** does not include a facility primarily for rest, the aged, **substance abuse** treatment, **custodial care**, nursing care or for care of **mental health disorders** or the mentally incompetent.

**Full-time Scholar** means an individual who is affiliated with an educational institution and is engaging in educational activities for at least 30 hours per week. These activities may include but not be limited to performing research in an area of specialty or teaching for a temporary period of time.

**Full-time Student** means a student at a college or university who is taking 10 credit hours (undergraduate students) or 6 credit hours (graduate students). Full-time student status for individuals enrolled at colleges or universities that do not use a credit hour system must provide documentation of full-time student status.

**Home Country** means, for U.S. Citizens, the United States of America, regardless of the location of **your** principal residence. For non-U.S. Citizens, **home country** is the country where **you** principally reside and receive regular mail.

**Home Health Care Agency** means a public or private agency or one of its subdivisions, which operates pursuant to law and is regularly engaged in providing home nursing care under the supervision of a registered nurse, and maintains a daily record on each patient, and provides each patient with a planned program of observation and treatment by a **physician**.

**Home Nursing Care** means services provided by a **home health care** agency and supervised by a registered nurse, which are directed toward the personal care of a patient, provided always that such care is provided in lieu of **medically necessary inpatient** care in a **hospital**.

**Hospital** means an institution which operates as a **hospital** pursuant to law, and is licensed by the state or country in which it operates; and operates primarily for the reception, care and treatment of sick or injured persons as **inpatients**; and provides 24-hour nursing service by registered nurses on duty or call; and has a staff of one or more **physicians** available at all times; and provides organized facilities and equipment for diagnosis and treatment of acute medical conditions on its premises; and is not primarily a rehabilitation facility, long-term care facility, **extended care facility**, nursing, rest, **custodial care** or convalescent home, a place for the aged, drug addicts, alcoholics or runaways; or similar establishment.

**Host Country** means the country, other than the **home country**, in which **you** will engage in educational pursuits. For legal residents and citizens of the U.S., the host country must be outside the U.S., including the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

**Illness** means a sickness, disorder, **illness**, pathology, abnormality, ailment, disease or any other medical, physical or health condition. **Illness** does not include learning disabilities, attitudinal disorders or disciplinary problems.

**Injury** means an unexpected and unforeseen harm to the body caused by an accident that requires medical treatment.

**Inpatient** means a person who is an overnight resident patient of a **hospital**, using and being charged for room and board, **or** a patient held for observation in a hospital for at least 12 hours.

**Intensive Care Unit** means a cardiac care unit or other unit or area of a **hospital** that meets the required standards of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals for Special Care Units.

**Investigational, Experimental or for Research Purposes** means procedures, services or supplies that are by nature or composition, or are used or applied, in a way which deviates from generally accepted standards of current medical practice.

**Medically Necessary** means a service or supply which is necessary and appropriate for the diagnosis or treatment of an **illness** or **injury** based on generally accepted current medical practice as determined by **us**. A service or supply will not be considered **medically necessary** if is provided only as a convenience to **you** or the provider, and/or is not appropriate for **your** diagnosis or symptoms, and/or exceeds in scope, duration or intensity that level of care which is needed to provide safe, adequate and appropriate diagnosis or treatment of an **illness** or **injury**.

**Member** means an individual who is covered under this insurance.

**Mental Health Disorder** means a mental or emotional disease or disorder which generally denotes a disease of the brain with predominant behavioral symptoms; or a disease of the mind or personality, evidenced by abnormal behavior; or a disorder of conduct evidenced by socially deviant behavior. Mental health disorders include: psychosis, depression, schizophrenia, bipolar affective disorder, and those psychiatric illnesses listed in the current edition of the diagnostic and Statistical Manual for Mental Disorders of the American Psychiatric Association.

**Outpatient** means a **member** who receives **medically necessary** treatment by a **physician** for **injury** or **illness** that does not require overnight stay in a **hospital**.

**Participant** means the **full-time student** or **full-time scholar** who is pursuing international educational activities outside of his/her **home country** and who is enrolled for coverage under this plan.

**Physician** means a Doctor of Medicine (MD), Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS), Doctor of Dental Medicine (DDM), Doctor of Podiatry (DPM), Doctor of Osteopathy (DO), a licensed Physical Therapist or Physiotherapist, and a Doctor of Psychiatry (Psy.D) and a Doctor of Psychology (Ph.D.). Physician also includes a Certified Nurse Practitioner (CNP), Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA), Nurse Midwife or a Physician Assistant (PA) under the direction of a medical doctor. A physician must be currently licensed by the jurisdiction in which the services are provided, and the services must be within the scope of that license and covered under this Master Policy.

**Relative** means biological or step parent current spouse, biological or stepsiblings, or child or stepchild, age 18 or older.

**Routine Medical Examination** means and examination of the physical body by a **physician** for preventative or informative purposes only, and not for the diagnosis or treatment of any condition. Routine physical exam also includes diagnostic labs, x-rays, and other procedures for screening, preventative, or informative purposes, but does not include vaccinations.

**Sexually Transmitted Diseases** means diseases including but not limited to syphilis, chlamydiosis, trichomoniasis, genital herpes, and Human Papillomavirus (HPV).

**Student Health Center** means a medical facility of an educational institution that provides basic health services for students for a minimum of 10 hours per week during the school semester. Basic services must include staffing by a licensed medical provider (MD, CNP, or RN) for the purpose of assessment and treatment of minor **illnesses** and **injuries** and/or referral to another medical provider.

**Substance Abuse** means alcohol, drug or chemical abuse, overuse or dependency.

**Surgery or Surgical Procedure** means an invasive diagnostic procedure, or the treatment of **illness** or **injury** by manual or instrumental operations performed by a **physician** while the patient is under general or local anesthesia.

Usual, Reasonable and Customary means the lesser of the following:

- 1. One and a half times (150%) of the charges payable under the United States Medicare program, for claims incurred outside the PPO network within the U.S., or
- 2. Most common charge for similar services, medicines or supplies within the area in which the charge is incurred, so long as those charges are reasonable. What is defined as usual, reasonable and customary charges will be determined by us. In determining whether a charge is usual, reasonable and customary, we may consider one or more of the following factors: the level of skill, extent of training, and experience required to perform the procedure or service; the length of time required to perform the procedure or services as compared to the length of time required to perform other similar services; the severity or nature of the illness or injury being treated; the amount charged for the same or comparable services, medicines or supplies in the locality; the amount charged for the same or comparable services, medicines or supplies in other parts of the country; the cost to the provider of providing the service, medicine or supply; such other factors we, in the reasonable exercise of discretion, determine are appropriate.

**Virtual Physician Visit** means a live consultation conducted over the internet or phone between **you** and a **physician.** 

You/Your means each insured person named in the certificate.

We/Us/Our means WorldTrips.