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Health Affairs
for
International Students***



IMS Health Affairs Terminology

- **IMS**.....International Military Student
- **Authorized Dependent/Family Member**.....IMS dependent/family member authorized on the ITO
- **MTF**.....Medical Treatment Facility
- **Outpatient**.....Care rcvd during “visit” to a clinic, emergency room, etc.
- **Inpatient**.....Care rcvd when “admitted” to hospital, overnight, etc.
- **PAD**.....Patient Affairs/Admin Division



Terminology (Cont'd)

- **IMET**.....Int'l Mil Education & Training
- **FMS**.....Foreign Military Sales
- **PFP**.....Partnership for Peace
- **NATO/PFP**.....Countries having ratified SOFA on file w/ State Dept
- **Non-NATO**.....All other countries other than NATO & PFP



IMSO Responsibilities

- **Become knowledgeable**
 - **Eligibility**
 - **Financial responsibility**
- **Check ITO authorization**
- **Brief IMS**
- **Know MTF Patient Affairs/Admin Div**



Eligibility

- **“Approved” program**
 - **SATP, PEP, CLO, SEEP, ETC**
- **International Agreement**
 - **NATO/PFP SOFA**
 - **Reciprocal Health Care Agreement**



APPROVED PROGRAM

- **DoD MTF**
 - **Military IMS/Family Members**
 - **Outpatient/Inpatient--Reimbursable Basis**
 - **Dental--Emergency Only--Reimbursable Basis**
 - **Civilian IMS/Family Members**
 - **Emergency Medical/Dental Care--Reimbursable Basis**



NATO/PFP SOFAs

- **Albania**
- **Austria**
- **Azerbaijan**
- **Belgium**
- **Bulgaria**
- **Canada**
- **Croatia**
- **Czech Republic**
- **Denmark**
- **Estonia**
- **Finland**
- **France**
- **FYROM**
- **Georgia**
- **Germany**
- **Greece**
- **Hungary**
- **Iceland**
- **Italy**
- **Kazakhstan**
- **Latvia**
- **Lithuania**
- **Luxembourg**



NATO/PFP SOFAs

- **Moldova**
- **Netherlands**
- **Norway**
- **Poland**
- **Portugal**
- **Romania**
- **Slovak Republic**
- **Slovenia**
- **Spain**
- **Sweden**
- **Turkey**
- **Ukraine**
- **United Kingdom**
- **Uzbekistan**



NATO/PFP SOFA

- **DoD Facility (Same Care as U.S.)**
 - **IMS**
 - **Free Outpatient (Medical/Dental)**
 - **Reimbursable Inpatient**
 - **Family Member**
 - **Free Outpatient (Medical/Dental Emergency)**
 - **Reimbursable Inpatient**



NATO/PFP SOFA

- **Civilian MTF**
 - **IMS**
 - **Outpatient**
 - **If referred by DoD Facility referring facility pays**
 - **If not referred--IMS/Country**
 - **Inpatient--IMS/Country**
 - **Family Member**
 - **Outpatient--TRICARE Standard**
 - **Inpatient--IMS/Country**



Current Reciprocal Agreements

- **Argentina--18 Sep 05**
- **Bolivia--13 Sep 03 ***
- **Canada--3 May 05**
- **Colombia--8 Apr 05**
- **Dominican Republic--17 Dec 05**
- **Ecuador--27 Jan 03**
- **El Salvador--6 Feb 04**
- **Germany--7 Jul 02 ***
- **Guatemala--24 Apr 03 ***
- **Mexico--19 Aug 05**
- **Romania--25 Apr 04**
- **Tunisia--12 Oct 02**
- **Ukraine--1 May 03 ***
- **United Kingdom--8 Feb 03**
- **Uruguay--8 Feb 03**
- **Venezuela--22 Sep 03**



Reciprocal Agreements

- **Vary country to country**
- **Based on assigned US/Foreign pers.**
- **Covers**
 - **Outpatient/Inpatient care at no cost in DoD MTF**
 - **DoD Inpatient Supplemental care in Civ MTF**
- **IMS responsible for paying Subsistence**
- **Does Not Cover**
 - **Care in Civ MTF**
 - **Civilian/Paramilitary**



Current Reciprocal Agreements

- **Argentina**
 - Washington DC, Maryland and Virginia only
- **Canada**
 - Does **not** cover FMS nor any Family Members
- **Dominican Republic**
 - Does **not** cover IMET IMS
 - Does cover FMS/IMET & FMS Family Members
- **Ecuador**
 - Does **not** cover IMET/FMS and their Family Members
- **Germany**
 - Some restrictions on types of treatment - Annex B
- **Ukraine**
 - First 30 days not covered
- **Venezuela**
 - Does **not** cover IMET IMS
 - Does cover FMS/IMET & FMS Family Members



Program Requirements

- **All IMS and Authorized Family Members **MUST** Have Medical Coverage**
- **Medical Coverage Consist of**
 - **IMETP (IMS only)**
 - **Country Pays**
 - **Medical Line on FMS Case**
 - **Health Insurance**



Health Care Issues

- **Increased medical costs**
- **IMS indebtedness**
- **Realignment of MTFs**
- **Pre-existing medical conditions**



Medical Charges

Outpatient

- **Costs vary by facility/type service**
- **Cost for each “visit”**



Medical Charges

Inpatient

- **Costs vary by facility**
- **Type of care provided determines daily weighted factor**
- **Facility daily cost multiplied by daily weighted factor**



Inpatient Cost Comparison

Appendectomy w/o complications

MEDDAC-FLW (\$1896)
 BAMC-FSH (\$2183)

**DRG Weight
 Avg Stay**

.7227/3 Days
 .7828/3.7 Days

IMET*

\$4,110.72
 \$6,322.75

Others*

\$9,984.10
 \$14,791.71

Pneumonia w/o complications

MEDDAC-FLW (\$1896)
 BAMC-FSH (\$2183)

.7740/3 Days
 .6924/5.7 Days

\$4,402.51
 \$8,615.60

\$10,692.81
 \$20,155.69

*Does not include subsistence/family member rate.



Inpatient Subsistence Charge

- **For all periods of inpatient care**
 - **IMS rate**
 - **Family rate**
- **Collected locally from IMS**



Health Care - Payment

- **Clinics/hospitals (MTF) must account for treatment “service” provided**
- **Responsibility for payment in accord w/ ITO**
- **MTF Submits DD form 7 (inpatient) or DD form 7a (outpatient) to appropriate Mildep Medical Command**
- **Or, MTF Submits Insurance Claim**



Health Care - Budgeting

- **IMET programming factor - \$35 per student training line (course of instruction)**
- **FMS case medical line - approx \$500 per student**



IMS Health “Categories”

- **IMET IMS**
 - **Non-NATO--IMETP pays**
 - **NATO/PFP--IMETP pays DoD inpatient/all civilian care**

- **FMS IMS**
 - **Non-NATO--Country, Insurance or FMS Case pays**
 - **NATO/PFP--Country, Insurance or FMS Case pays inpatient/all civilian care**



IMS Health “Categories”

- **Family Members**
 - **Non-NATO IMET--Insurance/Country Pays**
 - **Non-NATO FMS--Insurance/Country/FMS Case Pays**
 - **NATO/PFP IMET--Insurance/Country Pays inpatient care/TRICARE Standard pays a portion of Civilian outpatient care**
 - **NATO/PFP FMS--Insurance/Country/FMS Case Pays inpatient care/TRICARE Standard pays a portion of Civilian outpatient care**



TRICARE

- **IMS and Family Members **not enrolled****
- **IMS/Family Members **same priority for appointments** as Tricare enrollees**
- **NATO/PFP Family Members eligible for **Tricare Standard** (old Champus) for outpatient only**



IMS Indebtedness

- Insure IMS aware of **personal financial responsibility**
 - During orientation briefing, and
 - Brief if being hospitalized
- Inpatient care **cannot be waived IAW U.S. law**



Military MTFs

- **Hospitals downgraded to clinics**
- **Closure of Military MTFs**
- **Referrals to Civ health care providers**
- **No physical exams unless authorized**



Pre-existing Medical Conditions

- Health care is for conditions that develop **during training**
- Or, for **health maintenance** of medical condition such as diabetes, allergies, etc.
- Does not include correction of major medical/dental condition, elected medical care/surgery, etc.



HIV/AIDS Policy

- **IMS tested by country**
- **No “mandatory” testing in U.S.**
- **Policy--must be free of “communicable disease”**
- **However, may receive test for other reasons**
- **Action upon testing positive**



Health Affairs Information in ITM Web Site

<http://www.disam.dsca.mil/itm>

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The following provide information on IMS health affairs:

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[Security Assistance Health Affairs Handbook](#) (Draft, DSCA, October 2000)

[International Health Care Agreements](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Status of Reciprocal Health Care Agreements

The following agreements have been extended

<u>Country</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
Bolivia	13 Sep 03
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Germany	7 Jul 02



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