

# INTERNATIONALIZATION OFFICE

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR FOREIGN STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER

Request for Proposal Number: RFP-050-25

Issued: November 28, 2025

Submission Deadline: Thursday, February 19, 2026 @ 10:00 AM NST

Request for Proposal			
Title:	Foreign Student Health Insurance Provider		
Open Call #:	RFP-050-25	Issue Date:	November 28, 2025
Questions Deadline:	72 hours prior to close time	Closing Date and Time:	Thursday, February 19, 2026 @ 10:00AM NST
		Proposal Submission Format:	opencalls@mun.ca
		Opening Date and Time:	Thursday, February 19, 2026 @ 10:30AM NST  Via Conference Line: 1-416-915-6530 (toll free) Access Code: 2773 455 8562 Attendee ID: Please Press Pound (#)
Proposals Irre	evocable Period afte	90 days	

Proposal Submission: Responses to this solicitation must be submitted by email to opencalls@mun.ca. Email subject line must read: <u>RFP-050-25 FOREIGN STUDENT</u> HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER.

# **Inquiries and Communication:**

**Inquiries and communication:** Strategic Procurement Office, Financial and Administrative Services, Memorial University of Newfoundland, <a href="mailto:opencalls@mun.ca">opencalls@mun.ca</a>. Inquiries accepted only via email. No phone calls will be accepted.

Please reference RFP-050-25 FOREIGN STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER in subject line. Emails not containing this requirement information in the subject line will NOT be responded to.

Proposals submitted by fax, mail, courier, drop-off or by any other means of delivery other than by email stated above shall not be accepted.

# ABOUT MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

As Newfoundland and Labrador's only university, Memorial has a special obligation to the people of this province. Established as a memorial to the Newfoundlanders who lost their lives on active service during the First and Second World Wars, Memorial University draws inspiration from these shattering sacrifices of the past as we help to build a better future for our province, our country and our world.

We are a multi-campus, multi-disciplinary, public university committed to excellence in teaching and learning, research and scholarship, and to public engagement and service. We strive to have national and global impact, while fulfilling our social mandate to provide access to university education for the people of the province and to contribute to the social, cultural, scientific and economic development of Newfoundland and Labrador and beyond.

The Memorial experience goes beyond academics; it invites a discovery of self, community and place. At Memorial, we celebrate our unique identity through the stories of our people – the work of scholars and educators, the ingenuity of students, the achievements of alumni – and the impact we collectively make in the province, the country and the world. Memorial is the natural place where people and ideas become.

Memorial University has more than 18,500 students and 3,600 faculty and staff spread across four campuses and nearly 100,000 alumni active throughout the world. From local endeavors to research projects of national importance, Memorial's impact is felt far and wide.

#### Mission, Vision and Values

#### Vision

Memorial University will be one of the most distinguished public universities in Canada and beyond and will fulfill its special obligation to the people of Newfoundland and Labrador.

# Mission

Memorial University is an inclusive community dedicated to innovation and excellence in teaching and learning, research, scholarship, creative activity, service and public engagement.

Memorial welcomes and supports students and scholars from all over the world and contributes knowledge and expertise locally, nationally and internationally.

#### **Values**

Excellence: Encouraging and promoting excellence through innovation and creativity, rigor and pragmatism.

*Integrity*: Being honest and ethical in all interactions, maintaining the highest ethical standards in teaching, research, public engagement and service.

Collegiality: Engaging others with respect, openness and trust in pursuit of a common purpose, having regard for individuals, ideals and the institution as a whole.

Inclusiveness and diversity: Embracing and acting on responsibility to guarantee diversity and equity.

Responsiveness: Being receptive to individuals and communities.

Accountability: Accepting responsibility for achievement of common goals and objectives.

*Freedom and Discovery*: Supporting the freedom to pursue knowledge that is based on individual and collective intelligence, curiosity, ingenuity and creativity.

Recognition: Acknowledging, tangibly, all aspects of university enterprise including teaching and learning, research, scholarship, creative activity and public engagement.

Responsibility to place: Valuing and fulfilling the special obligation to the people of Newfoundland and Labrador by supporting and building capacity for excellence that:

- addresses needs and opportunities for Newfoundland and Labrador
- engages the university community on matters of national and international significance
- produces and delivers academic programs of national and international caliber and,
- Recognizes the dynamic opportunities presented by a multi-campusinstitution.

Responsibility to learners: Recognizing students as a priority and providing the environment and support to ensure their academic and personal success.

Interdisciplinary collaboration: Supporting overarching themes in all pursuits that cut across academic units and address significant opportunities and challenges for which Memorial is particularly well positioned to build nationally and internationally recognized capacity.

*Sustainability*: Acting in a manner that is environmentally, economically and socially sustainable in administration, academic and research programs.

Memorial's exceptional staff and students contribute to the vitality and positive environment of the university through active community engagement. Memorial University has always been a publicly engaged institution. Since the founding of the University in 1949, the work of many of Memorial's students, faculty and staff has emphasized the importance of strong, sustained partnerships with members of the public of Newfoundland and Labrador and beyond.

#### **Faculty and Staff**

Memorial is one of the largest employers in the province, with approximately 3,600 faculty and staff. Memorial has been recognized as an Employer of Distinction by the Newfoundland and Labrador Employers' Council, which is reflective of its investment in comprehensive benefits, services such as childcare and recreation facilities, emphasis on work-life balance, and its vibrant work environment.

#### **Governance and Administration**

The management, administration and control of the property, revenue, business and affairs of the

University are vested in a Board of Regents. The Board is appointed under the *Memorial University Act* and is responsible for the management, administration, and control of the property, revenue, business and affairs of the university. Matters of an academic character are in general charge of the Senate of the University.

For more information on Memorial University of Newfoundland, please visit: Memorial home page:

# http://www.mun.ca/

# **Territory Acknowledgements at Memorial:**

We acknowledge that the lands on which Memorial University's Campus are situated are in the traditional territories of diverse Indigenous groups and we acknowledge with respect the diverse histories and cultures of the Beothuk, Mi'kmaq, Innu, and Inuit of this province.

# PART 1 – SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

# 1.1 Proposals to be Submitted on Time

Proposals must be submitted as set out above on or before the Submission Deadline. Proposals submitted after the Submission Deadline will be rejected. Onus and responsibility rests solely with the proponent to submit its Proposal to the email indicated in the Request for Proposal on or before the Submission Deadline. The Owner does not accept any responsibility for any proposals submitted by means other than the email listed above. Proponents making submissions near the deadline do so at their own risk due to server availability. The time for the closing will be determined according to the inbox time stamp on <a href="mailto:opencalls@mun.ca">opencalls@mun.ca</a>. Proposals received after the closing time based on this time stamp, will NOT be considered.

# 1.2 Proposals to be Submitted in Prescribed Format

Proponents should submit **One (1)** email submission as a single file in PDF format. Please note: File size cannot exceed 15 MB. Otherwise, server may reject proposal submission due to size. Proposals submitted by fax, mail, courier, drop off or by any other means of delivery other than by email stated above shall not be accepted.

# 1.3 Amendment of Proposals

Proponents may amend their Proposals after they have been submitted if, and only if, the amendment is emailed prior to the Submission Deadline marked **PROPOSAL SUBMISSION AMENDMENT followed by RFP-050-25 FOREIGN STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER**. Proposal revisions, changes and alterations may be made only by completing a new proposal. Previous submissions will be cancelled and the submission with the most recent date and time will be considered the final proposal.

Email inquiries and requests for clarification shall be accepted up to **72 hours** prior to the closing time. Inquiries and requests for clarification received after this date shall not be addressed. The Strategic Procurement Office will be the only official source of information regarding this Open Call for Proposals and information from any other source shall be considered unofficial and may not be correct.

To ensure consistency and quality in the information provided to Proponents the Owner shall provide, by way of amendment to this request for proposals in the form of an addendum, any relevant information with respect to the Request for Proposal inquiries received in writing without revealing the source of those inquiries. Proponents are cautioned that it is their responsibility to ensure that they receive all information relevant to this Request for Proposal. The Owner shall not be responsible for Proponents who fail to inform themselves regarding the scope and nature of the work. The Owner shall publish all amendments Memorial University's website on https://www.mun.ca/finance/strategic\_procurement/ or current service providers: www.merx.com, Bids: www.bids.ca and PODS: www.pods.net .Proponents should check on a regular basis for Request for Proposal updates. Proponents are solely responsible for ensuring they are aware of and have complied with all amendments by proposal submission closing time. In the event there is discrepancy between the service providers, MERX, Bids, and PODS and the https://www.mun.ca/finance/strategic\_procurement/\_website, the official website https://www.mun.ca/finance/strategic procurement. Proponents are welcome to register their email address through opencalls@mun.ca to receive addendum notifications from Open Calls as a matter of courtesy. This does not relieve any Proponent of their responsibility to ensure all addenda has been received.

#### 1.4 Withdrawal of Proposals

Proponents may withdraw their Proposals prior to the Submission Deadline. To withdraw a Proposal, a notice of withdrawal must be sent to the <a href="mailto:opencalls@mun.ca">opencalls@mun.ca</a> prior to the Submission Deadline and must be signed by an authorized representative of the Proponents. The Owner is under no obligation to return withdrawn Proposals.

#### 1.5 Proposals Irrevocable after Submission Deadline

Proposals shall be irrevocable for a period of **90** days running from the moment that the Submission Deadline passes.

#### 1.6 Delivery

Time is of the essence and delivery schedule(s) are legally binding. Memorial University reserves the right to assess penalties or cancel awards to Bidders who fail to meet the stated delivery or completion dates. Delivery of all materials and services must be DAP (delivered at place) or DDP (delivered duty paid (all locations) and local environs.

# 1.7 Signature

Memorial University, in consideration of section 11 of the Electronic Commerce Act, confirms its acceptance of electronic signatures, or other acceptable form of electronic consent, in satisfaction of the signature requirement for proposal submissions. The electronic form of signature or consent must be directly related to the relevant proposal submission at issue and must be reliable, in a manner as determined by Memorial University, for the purpose of identifying the person submitting the proposal response. By submitting a proposal under this process, the proponent confirms that the signatory has the appropriate and proper authority to bind the proponent to its submission, a confirmation upon which Memorial University relies in the processing of the proposal submission. **Proponents must complete Appendix B – Submission Form. Proposals received without Appendix B completed will be deemed non- compliant.** 

#### 1.8 Closure

In the event that the University is closed earlier than normally expected prior to a scheduled Request for Proposal closing for that day, or for the full day, the closing date for those Request for Proposal will be extended to the next business day for the University at the same time as listed originally.

# 1.9 Corporations Act

The Corporations Act of Newfoundland and Labrador requires that an extra-provincial company be registered before it begins or carries on business in the Province. If your company is not registered, please apply for the appropriate forms and procedures to:

Commercial Registrations Division Department of Government Services
PO Box 8700
St John's, NL Canada
A1B 4J6

Phone: 709-729-3317, Fax: 709-729-0232

Website: http://www.gs.gov.nl.ca/registries/companies/corp art inc.html

[End of Part 1]

# PART 2 – EVALUATION AND AWARD

# 2.1 Stages of Evaluation

The Owner will conduct the evaluation of Proposals in the following stages:

#### 2.2 Stage I – Mandatory Submission Requirements

Stage I will consist of a review to determine which Proposals comply with all the mandatory submission requirements. Proposals that do not comply with all the mandatory submission requirements as of the Submission Deadline will, subject to the express and implied rights of the Owner, be disqualified and not evaluated further. The submission form (**Appendix B**) must be completed. Submission without **Appendix B completed will be disqualified.** 

#### 2.3 No Amendment to Forms

Other than inserting the information requested on the mandatory submission forms set out in the Request for Proposal, a Proponent may not make any changes to any of the forms. Any Proposal containing any such changes, whether on the face of the form or elsewhere in the Proposal shall be disqualified.

# Stage II will consist of the following:

# 2.4 Mandatory Technical Requirements

The Owner will review the proposals to determine whether the mandatory technical requirements as set out in **Appendix A** been met. Proposals that do not comply with all the mandatory technical requirements will, subject to the express and implied rights of the Owner, be disqualified and not evaluated further.

#### 2.5 Rated Criteria

The Owner will evaluate each qualified proposal based on the rated criteria set out in Appendix C.

#### 2.6 Selection of Proponent

After the completion of Stage II proponents will be ranked based on their total scores, all scores from will be added together and proponents will be ranked based on their total scores. Subject to the reserved rights of the Owner, the top-ranked proponent may be selected to enter into the Agreement in accordance with the following section.

Provincial suppliers, suppliers with a place of business in Newfoundland and Labrador, will be given provincial supplier preference provision. This mandates an allowance of ten percent for provincial suppliers for all procurement below trade agreement thresholds.

Please note, the supplier preference does not apply when the estimated value of the commodity is above the trade agreement threshold shown below.

Public Body	Thresholds			
	Goods	Services	Public Works	Lease of Space
Memorial University	\$133,800	\$133,800	\$334,400	\$100,000

#### 2.7 Notification

Notice of selection by the Owner to the preferred supplier(s) shall be in writing.

# 2.8 Failure to Enter into Agreement

If a preferred supplier fails to satisfy the pre-conditions of award within fifteen (15) days of notice of selection, the Owner may, without incurring any liability, proceed with the selection of another proponent and pursue all remedies available to the Owner

# 2.9 Payment Terms

The University's standard payment terms are net 30 days after delivery of goods, or net 15 days after successful completion of installation as applicable. In the case of services, payment terms are also net 30 days after successful completion of the service. These terms shall also apply in the case of sub- contracted items. Prepayments will not be considered unless the supplier provides an irrevocable standby letter of credit, or the supplier provides a credit reference from its banker satisfactory to the Director of Financial and Administrative Services.

[End of Part 2]

# PART 3 – TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE OPEN CALL PROCESS

#### 3.1 Incorporated into Proposal

All the provisions of this Request for Proposal are deemed to be accepted by each Proponent and incorporated into each Proponents' Proposal. A Proponent who submits conditions, options, variations or contingent statements to the terms as set out in this Request for Proposal, either as part of its Proposal or after receiving notice of selection, unless otherwise indicated, may be disqualified. If a Proponent is not disqualified despite such changes or qualifications, the provisions of this Request for Proposal, including any agreement set out in will prevail over any such changes or qualifications in the Proposal.

# 3.2 Proponents to Follow Instructions

Proponents should structure their Proposals in accordance with the instructions in this Request for Proposal. Where information is requested in this Request for Proposal, any response made in a Proposal should reference the applicable section numbers of this Request for Proposal.

# 3.3 Proposals in English

All Proposals are to be in English only.

# 3.4 No Incorporation by Reference

The entire content of the Proponent's Proposal should be submitted in a fixed form, and the content of websites or other external documents referred to in the proponent's Proposal but not attached will not be considered to form part of its Proposal.

#### 3.5 References and Past Performance

In the evaluation process, the Owner may include information provided by the Proponents references and may also consider the Proponents past performance or conduct on previous contracts with the Owner or other institutions.

# 3.6 Information in Request for Proposal Only an Estimate

The Owner and its advisers make no representation, warranty or guarantee as to the accuracy of the information contained in this Request for Proposal or issued by way of addenda. Any quantities shown or data contained in this Request for Proposal or provided by way of addenda are estimates only and are for the sole purpose of indicating to Proponents the general scale and scope of the Deliverables. It is the Proponents' responsibility to obtain all the information necessary to prepare a Proposal in response to this Request for Proposal.

# 3.7 Proponents to Bear Their Own Costs

The Proponent will bear all costs associated with or incurred in the preparation and presentation of its Proposal, including, if applicable, costs incurred for interviews or demonstrations.

# 3.8 Proposal to be Retained by the Owner

The Owner will not return the Proposal or any accompanying documentation submitted by a Proponent.

#### 3.9 Trade Agreements

Proponents should note that procurements falling within the scope of the Canadian Free Trade Agreement and/or the Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement are subject to those trade agreements but that the rights and obligations of the parties will be governed by the specific terms of this Request for Proposal.

# 3.10 No Guarantee of Volume of Work or Exclusivity of Contract

The Owner makes no guarantee of the value or volume of work to be assigned to the successful Proponent.

# 3.11 Proponent to Review Request for Proposal

Proponents shall promptly examine all the documents comprising this Request for Proposal, and

- (a) shall report any errors, omissions or ambiguities; and
- (b) may direct questions or seek additional information

in writing by email to the Request for Proposal contact on or before the Deadline for Questions. All questions or comments submitted by Proponents by email to the Contact shall be deemed to be received once the email has entered the contact's email inbox. No such communications are to be directed to anyone other than the Request for Proposal Contact, and the Owner shall not be responsible for any information provided by or obtained from any source other than the Request for Proposal Contact. The Owner is under no obligation to provide additional information. It is the responsibility of the Proponent to seek clarification from the Request for Proposal Contact on any matter it considers to be unclear. The Owner shall not be responsible for any misunderstanding on the part of the Proponents concerning this Request for Proposal or its process.

#### 3.12 All New Information to Proponents by Way of Addenda

This Request for Proposal may be amended only by addendum in accordance with this section. If the Owner, for any reason, determines that it is necessary to provide additional information relating to this Request for Proposal, such information will be communicated to all Proponents by addenda. Each addendum forms an integral part of this Request for Proposal and may contain important information, including significant changes. Proponents are responsible for obtaining all addenda issued by the Owner. In the Submission Form (Appendix B), Proponents shall confirm their receipt of all addenda by setting out the number of each addendum in the space provided. Proponents who fail to acknowledge all posted addenda will be deemed non-compliant and disqualified.

#### 3.13 Addenda and Extension of Submission Deadline

Any addendum added within four (4) calendar days of the Request for Proposals closing (Including on closing day) will extend closing by a reasonable period to be determined by Memorial University

#### 3.14 Verify, Clarify and Supplement

When evaluating Proposals, the Owner may request further information from the Proponent or third parties to verify, clarify or supplement the information provided in the Proponent's Proposal. The response received by the Owner shall, if accepted by the Owner, form an integral part of the Proponent's Proposal.

#### 3.15 Notification to Other Proponents

In accordance with section 30 of the *Public Procurement Regulations*, once the Agreement is awarded by the Owner, the outcome of the Request for Proposal will be publicly posted at Public Procurement Agency Website.

#### 3.16 Debriefing

Unsuccessful Proponents may request a debriefing within ten (10) business days after the award has been posted. The request must be sent in writing to the Request for Proposal Contact. The intent of the debriefing information session is to aid the Proponent in presenting a better Proposal in subsequent procurement opportunities. The debriefing process is not for the purpose of providing an opportunity to challenge the procurement process or its outcome.

# 3.17 Supplier Complaint Process

If a Proponent wishes to register a complaint with respect to the Request for Proposal process, it should provide it in writing and within the parameters established by section 25 of the *Public Procurement Regulations*, as amended. The notice must provide a detailed explanation of the Proponent's concerns with the procurement process or its outcome, in addition to such other information as may be required by the *Regulations*. Proponents should note that these complaint procedures are separate and distinct from any dispute resolution processes that may be provided for under applicable trade agreements. If a Proponent wishes to dispute a matter under an applicable trade agreement, the Proponent must follow the process set out in the trade agreement.

#### 3.18 Conflict of Interest

The Owner may disqualify a Proponent for any conduct, situation or circumstances, determined by the Owner, in its sole and absolute discretion, to constitute a conflict of interest.

The Owner reserves the right to disqualify any Proponent that in the Owner's sole opinion has an actual or potential conflict of interest or an unfair advantage or may permit the Proponent to continue and impose such terms and conditions, as the Owner in its sole discretion may require.

For the purposes of this Request for Proposal, the term "Conflict of Interest" includes, but is not limited to, any situation or circumstance where in relation to the Request for Proposal process, the Proponent has an unfair advantage or engages in conduct, directly or indirectly, that may give it an unfair advantage, including but not limited to: (i) having, or having access to, confidential information of the Owner in the preparation of its Proposal that is not available to other

Proponents, (ii) communicating with any person with a view to influencing preferred treatment in the Request for Proposal process (including but not limited to the lobbying of decision makers involved in the Request for Proposal process), or (iii) engaging in conduct that compromises, or could be seen to compromise, the integrity of the open and competitive Request for Proposal process or render that process non-competitive or unfair.

Proponents are required to disclose, to the Request for Proposal Contact, any potential or perceived conflict of interest issues prior to Request for Proposal closing date and time.

#### 3.19 Disqualification for Prohibited Conduct

The Owner may disqualify a Proponent, rescind a notification of selection or terminate a contract subsequently entered if the Owner determines that the Proponent has engaged in any conduct prohibited by this Request for Proposal.

# 3.20 Proponents Not to Communicate with Media

Proponents must not at any time directly or indirectly communicate with the media in relation to this Request for Proposal or any agreement entered pursuant to this Request for Proposal without first obtaining the written permission of the Request for Proposal Contact.

# 3.21 No Lobbying

Proponents must not, in relation to this Request for Proposal or the evaluation and selection process, engage directly or indirectly in any form of political or other lobbying whatsoever to influence the selection of the successful Proponent(s).

#### 3.22 Illegal or Unethical Conduct

Proponents must not engage in any illegal business practices, including activities such as Proposal-rigging, price-fixing, bribery, fraud, coercion or collusion must not engage in any unethical conduct, including lobbying, as described above, or other inappropriate communications; offering gifts to any employees, officers, agents, elected or appointed officials or other representatives of the Owner; deceitfulness; submitting Proposals containing misrepresentations or other misleading or inaccurate information; or any other conduct that compromises or may be seen to compromise the competitive process provided for in this Request for Proposal.

#### 3.23 Past Performance or Past Conduct

The Owner may prohibit a supplier from participating in a procurement process based on past performance or based on inappropriate conduct in a prior procurement process, including but not limited to the following:

- (a) illegal or unethical conduct as described above.
- (b) the refusal of the supplier to honour submitted pricing or other commitments; or
- (c) any conduct, situation or circumstance determined by the Owner, in its sole and absolute discretion, to have constituted a Conflict of Interest.

In addition, the Owner may suspend the proposal privileges of a supplier regarding non-compliant

or substandard performance in accordance with section 26 of the *Public Procurement Regulations*.

#### 3.24 Confidential Information of the Owner

All information provided by or obtained from the Owner in any form in connection with this Request for Proposal either before or after the issuance of this Request for Proposal:

- (a) is the sole property of the Owner and must be treated as confidential.
- (b) is not to be used for any purpose other than replying to this Request for Proposal and the performance of the Agreement.
- (c) must not be disclosed without prior written authorization from the Owner; and
- (d) must be returned by the Proponent to the Owner immediately upon the request of the Owner.

#### 3.25 Confidential Information of Proponents

This procurement process is subject to the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015* (*ATIPPA, 2015*). A Proponent must identify any information in its Proposal or any accompanying documentation supplied in confidence for which confidentiality is requested to be maintained by the Owner. The confidentiality of such information will be maintained by the Owner, except as otherwise required by law or by order of a court or tribunal. Proponents are advised that their Proposal will, as necessary, be disclosed, on a confidential basis, to advisers retained by the Owner to advise or assist with the Request for Proposal process, including the evaluation of Proposals.

The Proponent agrees that any specific information in its submission that may qualify for an exemption from disclosure under subsection 39(1) of the *ATIPPA*, 2015 has been identified in its submission. If no specific information has been identified it is assumed that, in the opinion of the Proponent, there is no specific information that qualifies for an exemption under the subsection 39(1) of the *ATIPPA*, 2015.

Contracting with the Owner is a public process. Information provided through this process will be disclosed when requested under the *ATIPPA*, *2015*, except where disclosure of that information is harmful to the business' interests, as set out in the three-part test in the *ATIPPA*, *2015*.

Information, including the financial value of a contract resulting from this procurement process, will be publicly released as part of the award notification process, in accordance with section 30 of the *Public Procurement Regulations*.

If a Proponent has any questions about the collection and use of personal information pursuant to this Request for Proposal, questions are to be submitted to the Request for Proposal Contact. Further information relating to subsection 39(1) of the ATIPPA, 2015 is provided in guidance documents available through the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner at <a href="https://oipc.nl.ca/guidance/documents">https://oipc.nl.ca/guidance/documents</a>.

# 3.26 Reserved Rights of the Owner

The Owner reserves the right to:

- (a) make public the names of any or all Proponents as well as Proposal price and value of contract.
- (b) make changes, including substantial changes, to this Request for Proposal provided that those changes are issued by way of addendum in the manner set out in this Request for Proposal.
- (c) request written clarification or the submission of supplementary written information in relation to the clarification request from any Proponent and incorporate a Proponent's response to that request for clarification into the Proponent's Proposal. This shall not be an opportunity for Proposal repair.
- (d) assess a Proponent's Proposal on the basis of: (i) a financial analysis determining the actual cost of the Proposal when considering factors including quality, service, price and transition costs arising from the replacement of existing goods, services, practices, methodologies and infrastructure (howsoever originally established); and (ii) in addition to any other evaluation criteria or considerations set out in this Request for Proposal, consider any other relevant information that arises during this Request for Proposal process.
- (e) waive formalities and accept Proposals that substantially comply with the requirements of this Request for Proposal.
- (f) verify with any Proponent or with a third party any information set out in a Proposal.
- (g) check references other than those provided by any Proponent
- (h) disqualify a Proponent, rescind a notice of selection or terminate a contract subsequently entered into if the Proponent has engaged in any conduct that breaches the process rules or otherwise compromises or may be seen to compromise the competitive process
- (i) cancel this Request for Proposal process at any stage
- (j) cancel this Request for Proposal process at any stage and issue a new Request for Proposal for the same or similar deliverables
- (k) accept any Proposal in whole or in part; or
- (I) reject any or all Proposals.

and these reserved rights are in addition to any other express rights or any other rights that may be implied in the circumstances.

# 3.27 Limitation of Liability

By submitting a Proposal, each Proponent agrees that:

(a) neither the Owner nor any of it employees, officers, agents, elected or appointed officials,

- advisors or representatives will be liable, under any circumstances, for any claim arising out of this Request for Proposal process including but not limited to costs of preparation of the Proposal, loss of profits, loss of opportunity or for any other claim; and
- (b) the Proponent waives any right to or claim for any compensation of any kind whatsoever, including claims for costs of preparation of the Proposal, loss of profit or loss of opportunity by reason of the Owner's decision not to accept the Proposal submitted by the Proponent, to enter into an agreement with any other Proponent or to cancel this open call process, and the Proponent shall be deemed to have agreed to waive such right or claim.

# 3.28 Governing Law and Interpretation

These Terms and Conditions of the Request for Proposal Process (Part 3):

- (a) are intended to be interpreted broadly and independently (with no particular provision intended to limit the scope of any other provision)
- (b) are non-exhaustive and shall not be construed as intending to limit the pre-existing rights of the Owner; and
- (c) are to be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Newfoundland & Labrador and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.

#### 3.29 Facility Compliance Requirement

- (a) Equipment, power tools, instruments and appliances intended for use within Memorial University's facilities must comply with all regulatory requirements related to use and/or installation in university facilities. This includes but is not limited to certification/listing by recognized agencies, Pressure Vessel Act of Newfoundland and Labrador and similar.
- (b) Items provided related to this open call that receive power from the University's electrical system must be certified or listed for use within Canada by a recognized agency such as Canadian Standards Association (CSA) or Underwriter Laboratories Canada (ULc). A full list of agencies recognized by Memorial University is available upon request.
- (c) Equipment, tools, instruments and appliances that generate pressure may require registration as a pressure system with the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador. Compliance with the Boiler, Pressure Vessel and Compressed Gas Regulations under the Public Safety Act of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Boiler, Pressure Vessel, and Pressure Piping Code CSA B51:19 shall be demonstrated.
- (d) The vendor is responsible for all costs associated with ensuring the system is compliant with legislative requirements and for the application and registration processes. Field certifications may be considered but all costs and efforts for such scenarios are the responsibility of the vendor.

#### 4. Environmental Health and Safety Requirements

Maintaining a healthy and safe environment for all members of the campus community, as well as visitors, is a priority with the University. This involves a commitment from all sectors of the campus community and extends to outside agencies having occasion to come on campus to conduct business.

The following requirements will apply to all work undertaken by contractors and service personnel on any University property or for any work undertaken on behalf of the Owner.

# 4.1.0 Regulations, Codes and Standards

Contractors shall be familiar with and abide by provisions of various safety codes and standards applicable to the work performed and should refer to 1.21.5 of General Conditions:

1.21.5 The Contractor shall be completely responsible for the safety of the Work as it applies to protection of the public and property and construction of the Work.

The codes that must be followed and enforced for safety are:

- a) The <u>National Building Code</u>, Part 8, Safety Measures at Construction and Demolition Sites (Latest Edition)
- b) <u>Canadian Code for Construction Safety</u> (Latest Edition) as issued by the Associate Committee of the National Building Code
- c) The Occupational Health and Safety Act of Newfoundland and Labrador (most current version) and Regulations.

In particular, strict adherence to the Provincial Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations and with the National Building Code of Canada, Part 8 is required

#### 4.2.0 General Health and Safety Regulations

- a) Contractors/service agencies shall ensure that members of the campus community are not endangered by any work or process in which they may be engaged. Work areas shall be adequately barricaded, and if dust or fumes are generated, suitable enclosures shall be installed to contain such emissions.
- b) No material shall be stored in such a way as to obstruct walkways or represent a danger to pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- c) Adequate protection shall be provided to prevent the possibility of goods falling from scaffolding or elevated areas. Areas where goods are being loaded or off loaded shall be barricaded or otherwise protected to prevent unauthorized entry. Appropriate warning signs must be posted.
- d) The work areas must be kept reasonably clean and free from debris which could constitute a fire hazard. Care must be taken to ensure that the work process does not activate fire alarm detection devices. (Generation of dust and fumes can activate smoke detectors causing a false alarm).
- e) Due consideration shall be given to fire safety in buildings. Flammable goods must be kept away from sources of ignition. No work involving the use of open flame devices must be undertaken around flammable solvents of gases.
- f) Some University buildings contain asbestos and other hazardous materials. Do not alter or disturb any goods believed to contain asbestos goods (unless this is a duly authorized part of

- the project). Consult with University officials before proceeding with any work.
- g) Safety Data Sheets shall be procured for any hazardous product used on campus. Such sheets shall be made readily available for consultation as required under the Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS).

**NOTE:** The above requirements are not considered all-inclusive and are considered complementary to the safety requirements outlined in the agreement between the University and Supplier. Certain conditions and circumstances may require adherence to additional safety requirements.

As a general requirement, contract/service personnel are expected to conduct all work on campus in a professional and safe manner and to give priority to the safety and welfare of members of the campus community.

#### 4.3.0 Contractor Safety Management

- **4.3.0** All Contractors and Subcontractors shall be required Workplace NL Certificate of Clearance.
- **4.3.1** All Contractors and Subcontractors are required to give the Owner written permission to approach Provincial regulatory authorities for applicable safety-related information on their respective firms.
- **4.3.2** The Contractor must also provide the following:
- **4.3.3** Memorial reserves the right to request and audit the full health and safety program of Contractors and Subcontractors and their associated documentation. This documentation may include, but not be limited to the following:
- (a) Health and Safety Program and/or Manual
- (b) Site Hazard Assessment
- (c) Letter of Assurance for Compliance (third party certification)
- (d) Applicable documented safe work practices
- (e) Inspection reports and schedules
- (f) Required employee safety training certifications and qualifications
- (g) Updated list of OHS Committee and/or a worker health and safety representative, or workplace health and safety designate
- (h) Proof of completion of the Owner's contractor safety orientation within the prior three years.
- **4.3.4** Memorial University reserves the right to refuse or cancel any contract with a Contractor that is not in compliance with Memorial's standards for Safety.
- **4.3.5** The University reserves the right to stop any work or portion of work where no documentation can be produced on site which identifies the hazards presented by a piece of work, safe work procedures for work or certification of employees performing work. The Contractor is liable for any costs incurred by affected parties associated with such a stoppage.

#### 4.4.0 Access To Site

**4.4.1** All Contractors and Subcontractors to be used in the execution of the Contract shall give advance notification of when they will be on site. Any work to be performed outside of Regular

Time must have advance approval of the Owner.

Any discontinuation of the Work which causes a Contractor or their Subcontractors to suspend operations onsite will require the following:

- a) Contractor/Subcontractors shall notify the Owner of the stop work date.
- b) Contractor/Subcontractors shall ensure the site is left in a safe and secure condition.
- c) Contractor/Subcontractors shall ensure that locks and tags on mechanical and/or electrical systems are removed and, where necessary, replaced by the University.
- d) Contractor/Subcontractors shall not return to site without expressed prior permission from the Owner.

# APPENDIX A - SPECIFICATIONS & SCOPE

# Scope

Memorial University's largest campus is located in St. John's, NL. This location will be the main contact for administration support for the program. Other campus locations are in Corner Brook (Grenfell Campus), Marine Institute, St. John's, NL. Memorial University also has a campus in England, that provides Students and Faculty an opportunity to study and undertake research locally or abroad. Memorial University students also travel to other locations for Exchange Studies.

We will consider a mandatory program for Inbound International Students (IIS), for the purposes of this quotation, although there are exceptions based on student classifications. (E.g. Waivers with provincial health care (MCP), or Sponsored Students, or other groups as clearly defined by the university).

An eligible Inbound International Student (IIS) may include full and part-time students who are:

- Undergraduate / Graduate / ESL / Exchange and Visiting Student
  - Course based Research Students and Students taking part in approved course related Training Programs, who are admitted to, enrolled in, and attending the program, or any other classification of Student, as defined eligible by the university.
  - Within the aforementioned definition, all Students, within NL and outside NL within Canada and at times outside Canada for short-term travel, or as related to their course requirement are eligible for this plan.
  - On campus, Inbound Foreign Total Students: (#3,200)
    - Included in above numbers:
      - Marine Institute: (#90)
      - Grenfell Campus (#160)
      - Labrador Institute (#2)
      - Inbound exchange (#175)

In addition to IIS, Memorial University requires voluntary programs for the below groups:

- Visitors: this includes Visiting Scholars, Post-Docs, Faculty, Chaperones, and Lecturers
- Dependents: of IIS and above-mentioned groups
  - Approximately 300 students with one or more dependents
- Early Arrival: Available to new IIS who travel to Canada prior to the start of semesterized coverage.
- Gap students: Available to IIS who are on "defined breaks" throughout the school year. For example:

- o Academic suspension
  - Leave of Absence
- Recent Graduate: Available to IIS who have completed their program of study and are remaining in Canada
- Outbound: Available to Students and Visitors travelling outside of Canada
  - Outbound Students (Exchange) Enrolment Numbers (not included in above #'s):
    - Total annual outbound 250 (group study and individual exchange)
    - England Campus (considered a group study destination approx. #75 a year)
    - Other Exchange locations (#175)
      - Group exchange; France (Frecker Institute)
      - Individual Exchange: UK, Australia, Germany, Netherlands, Singapore, Korea, Ireland, Chile, China, Japan, Other
    - A standard exchange outside of Canada averages 5 months. The majority of Memorial's outbound exchange students are covered by the host institution. However, we do have some for whom we recommend an outbound coverage provider.

The requested program coverages have been separated into segments based on overall coverage requirements for the various groups outlined above.

- 1. Coverage 1 (Plan A) Mandatory program. Provides medically necessary emergent coverage for Students within NL and while travelling outside of NL when on Memorial approved course, training program or sponsored event. Includes coverage for short-term personal travel. Provides non-emergent coverage for physician visits and prescription medication and treatment that is medically necessary.
- 2. Coverage 2 (Plan B) **Mandatory program** for those who opt out based on MCP and are transferred to the student union health plan. Provides emergency coverage for Students while in NL (for non-MCP services) and while travelling outside of NL (OOP/OOC) when not covered under Plan A.

Example: (but not limited to)

- Students eligible for Gov't Medicare program (MCP) while in NL and when travelling outside NL/Canada.
- 3. Coverage 3 (Outbound Exchange) Voluntary program Provides medically necessary emergent coverage for Students (international and domestic) on Exchange studies, course related travel. Includes short-term personal travel.
- 4. Coverage 4 (Other) **Voluntary program.** This program provides emergency coverage for Students and Dependents who are not eligible for Coverage 1 above. For example:

- a. Academic suspension
- b. Leave of Absence
- c. Early Arrival: While awaiting for new semester to begin (if a returning Student)
- d. Dependents who arrive in NL after the Student's registration for Coverage 1
  - i. Dependents may be included in Coverage 1, any following policy year if they remain in NL & are registered at the same time as the Student.
- e. Other as defined by the university

These requested programs are further outlined in attached Benefit Comparison Worksheet. The proposed programs have been developed to accommodate the specific requirements of Memorial University international students. If you deviate from the outlined benefits, please specify the benefit deviation on the worksheet provided. The focus of the marketing is to ensure student current coverage is not reduced by this marketing. The expectation is that your proposed plan is underwritten on a fully insured pooled basis

# Questionnaire

Please complete this questionnaire and return with your proposal.

# Proposing Entity (Service Provider):

#### General

- 1. Please use the Benefit Comparison Worksheet (Attached) for confirmation, or to outline any deviations to the requested program, benefits, or processes.
- 2. Please provide information relating to any pre-existing condition, or stability clause within your proposed program, as related to Student and if different, for their Dependents.
- 3. Please confirm your company follows CLHIA and other required takeover guidelines with respect to group insurance such as no student will lose coverage whether continuous or new medical treatment to ensure ongoing treatment as a result of the change in providers.
- 4. Please provide information related to your company's EDI-AR (Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Racism) policies.
- Please confirm your company will be able to provide policy/contract drafts for review prior to finalizing & distribution to client (students) and please confirm these documents are available in electronic format.

# **Administration, Communications & Security**

Memorial's enrolment process involves the submission of an enrolment listing (spreadsheet) to Service Provider after the close of the university pre-set deadline for each semester.

- 1. Please provide an overview of your Administration process relating to: Enrolment, Cancellations and Refunds.
- 2. Please confirm standard turnaround for Administration process, including delivery of ID cards and Onboarding documents

- 3. Please advise if cross-reference using Student Number is available for insurance and claim purposes.
- 4. Please provide an overview of your invoicing process.
- 5. Please confirm your agreement of flexibility of administration relating to additions and cancellations (refunds) for students. Examples of where consideration will be required:
  - a. Internal error or oversight by university for enrolment or cancellation
  - b. Backdate of coverage for cancellation & refund
  - c. University reconciliations
  - d. Student no longer covered by Gov't sponsored program during school year and requires enrolment mid-year on international plan
- 6. Please provide an overview of the website and mobile app capabilities available to students and administrators.
  - a. Please include confirmation that website communication can be edited to meet institution's specific requirements (ie. they write/provide for upload)
  - b. Which services are available through your website for plan administrators including but not limited to:
    - i. Coverage information
    - ii. Student eligibility information
    - iii. Secured email portal
    - iv. Billing/Invoicing Information
    - v. Reporting (please indicate standard reports available at no additional cost
  - c. Please provide information on how you will support Memorial University Students and Administrators with online/web-based self-help capabilities. Examples could include:
    - i. Secured Administration site access for designated Memorial University Administrators
    - ii. Secured access for Students to review policy, replacement ID card, claims submission and review, wellness and training information as related to the plan
    - iii. Secured access for Students and Dependents to purchase coverage(s) offered, coverage 1-4), when not eligible for the mandatory program (includes payment online)
  - d. Please provide details related to opt out support available to Students and Memorial Administrators.
    - i. Students who are eligible for Gov't sponsored program (Medicare or other related sponsored coverage) may waive the mandatory program
    - 1. Students who lose their Gov't sponsored program throughout the year will be eligible to apply for the mandatory program (for continued coverage)
    - ii. Please confirm if online access through website is available to assist Student with Opt-out/Waiver
      - 1. Suggested process:
        - a. Student accesses Service Provider designated site
        - b. Student uploads op-out/waiver required credentials
        - c. At the end of the designated opt-out period, Service Provider submits list to university designated personnel for their internal reconciliation.
  - e. Do you provide communication support, e.g. student information sessions and communication materials, website, electronic? Please describe.
- 7. Please confirm what security features are used for your internal, shared and external access sites, including but not limited to two-step authentication to protect the private information of the university and their students

- a. Please confirm that your company has a disaster recovery plan that includes data backup storage at an offsite facility, which is located only in Canada. Please provide details.
- b. Please confirm if any of the client, or student's data will be transacted or stored outside of Canada. Please provide details.
- c. Please confirm that the client's information being held by your organization will be in compliance with the Personal Information Protection and Electronics Documents Act (PIPEDA).
- d. Please confirm how your organization protects the client's information against cyber risk breach.
- e. Please describe the methodologies your company uses to prevent and detect fraud.

#### Claims Procedures & Related

- 1. Please indicate if a claim form is required for the submission of a claim.
  - a. Outline the claims process for Students and local Medical Providers.
- 2. Please provide details relating to translation and available languages available to Students who access their program & these services.
- 3. Please confirm your process to work closely with the local Healthcare providers, including the on-campus Health Clinic, during the transition of the program, as well as on an ongoing basis.
  - a. Please provide details of any special agreements if available to preferred providers, including the on-campus Health Clinic(s).
  - b. Please confirm that you will provide direct submission and payment to local providers, including on-campus Health Centre(s).
- 4. Please confirm how you assist in the claims process for hospitalization, and other medical related challenges, including coordination with other insurers (e.g. motor vehicle claims) and the collection and completion of necessary forms.
- 5. Please indicate the Pharmacy Benefits Manager (drug card provider/direct billing provider used by your organization)
- 6. Please confirm service standard for turnaround for claims payment and claims assistance.

#### **Underwriting & Rates**

- 1. Please confirm the underwriting methodology used for current and renewal rates of the presented program.
- 2. Please confirm the guarantee period of your quoted rates.
  - a. Are you prepared to guarantee rates for 3 years without, if so what conditions, if any, will apply?
- 3. Please provide a breakdown of:
  - a. Administration expenses/ program required break-even.
  - b. Overview of how industry or other related trends are used in renewal underwriting.
- 4. Please provide a rate for single that may be increased by the number of covered dependents. Example: Student: \$1.00 per day Student + Spouse: \$2.00 Student + Spouse + 1 Child: \$3.00
  - a. Please confirm, if quoting a daily rate, the annual billed premium will not be adjusted to accommodate. (Annual rate remains unchanged in leap year of 366 days)

- b. Please provide applicable rate for each Benefit Option requested
- c. Please use this format when confirming rates:

	Negotiated Renewal Annual Rate
Single	\$100
Student +1	\$200
Student +2	\$300
Student +3	\$400
Student +4	\$500
	ses based on multiple of single premium
and number of eligi	ible persons covered on plan no

maximum

- 5. Please include 5% commission in your rates, payable to Hub International in February of each year.
- 6. Are you in agreement to provide a year-end, underwriting gain, or other similar administration refund support to Memorial University? If so, please provide a description of how such a program would work. Alternatively, please include 5% administration in your rates, payable to Memorial University after year end, annually.
- 7. Please confirm that renewal documentation, including rate confirmation, will be automatically provided no later than March 15<sup>th</sup> of each year for implementation on September 1<sup>st</sup> of the same year.
  - a. Please note that any policy wording or benefit changes required by the Service Provider, including but not limited to administrative and housekeeping changes, will be required as part of the renewal presentation.
- 8. Please confirm if your available reporting will include the following:
  - a. Medical service information:
    - Example: type of service; dollar amount submitted; dollar amount paid; number of claims submitted by service, and, if available, declined submitted claims & reason for decline.
    - ii. Please advise if interim policy year reporting is available upon request for interim Client and Consultant meeting(s).
- 9. Please confirm you are willing to enter into a service agreement with Memorial University if required.

# Other Coverages & Riders

#### Early Arrival for New Students (Excludes returning Students)

Coverage bound for Students arriving in Canada with the intent to travel to NL for attendance at Memorial University - 30 days prior to semester effective date. Please confirm you are in agreement to binding coverage without pre-notification/enrolment for students arriving in Canada prior to commencement of semester (e.g. Students arriving in August for September classes; in December for January classes, etc.) Please outline process.

# Gender Affirming Coverage

Please outline how your policy provides coverage for gender affirming care. If not covered in program, this may be quoted as a rider to the program.

#### Alcohol and Drug Rider

Please include quoted rates to include coverage in relation to Alcohol and Drug coverage. This may be provided as a rider to the program; however, preference is reference (or removal of exclusion) in policy documentation to Students.

Please specify:

- Cost of coverage
- Details of coverage, including any maximum benefit that may apply
- Applicable program(s) that rider will be included (see Coverage 1 through 4).

# Non-Emergent Rider

Please include quoted rates to include coverage in relation to non-emergent but medically necessary coverage. This may be provided as a rider to the program; however, preference is reference (or removal of exclusion) in policy documentation to Students. Please specify:

- Cost of coverage
- Details of coverage, including any maximum benefit that may apply
- Applicable program(s) that rider will be included (see Coverage 1 through 4).

#### Non-emergent dental coverage

Please include quoted rates to include coverage related to non-emergent dental care. This may be provided as a rider to the program.

#### Coverage for Mature Students over 65

Standard proposed coverage is necessary for Students under the age of 65, however, the university requires similar coverage for their over 65 Students. We would expect the under and over to be the same, however should you require a rate adjustment due to age for those over 65, please confirm in your quote.

#### APPENDIX B - SUBMISSION FORM

# 1. Proponent's Information

Please fill out the following form, naming one person to be the Proponent's contact for the Open Call process and for any clarifications or communication that might be necessary.		

# 2. Offer

The Proponent has carefully examined the Open Call documents and has a clear and comprehensive knowledge of the Deliverables required under the Open Call. By submitting a Proposal, the Proponent agrees and consents to the terms, conditions and provisions of the Open Call, including the Form of Agreement, and offers to provide the Deliverables in accordance therewith at the rates set out in the pricing section.

#### 3. Rates

The Proponent has submitted its rates in accordance with the instructions in the Open Call. The Proponent confirms that it has factored all of the provisions of Appendix A, including insurance and indemnity requirements, into its pricing assumptions and calculations. All prices must be in Canadian Dollars.

#### 4. Addenda

The bidder is deemed to have read and accepted all addenda issued by the Owner. The onus is on bidders to make any necessary amendments to their bids based on the addenda. The bidder is required to confirm that it has received all addenda by listing the addenda numbers on the following line: (For example, if Addendum 1 has been issued, enter 1 on the line. If there are two addenda, enter 1, 2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Bidders who fail to complete this section will be deemed to have not received all posted addenda and shall be deemed non-compliant.

#### 5. No Prohibited Conduct

The Proponent declares that it has not engaged in any conduct prohibited by this Open Call.

#### 6. Disclosure of Information

The Proponent hereby agrees that any information provided in this Proposal, even if it is identified as being supplied in confidence, may be disclosed where required by law or by order of a court or tribunal. The Proponent hereby consents to the disclosure, on a confidential basis, of this Proposal by the Owner to the advisers retained by the Owner to advise or assist with the Open Call process, including with respect to the evaluation of this Proposal.

# 7. Proposal Irrevocable

The Proponent agrees that its proposal shall be irrevocable for a period of **90** days following the Submission Deadline.

# 8. Required Signatures

Failure to submit this signature section will render the Proposal NON-COMPLIANT and the Proposal will be disqualified.

Name of Proponent's Representative
Title of Proponent's Representative
Date
I have the authority to bind the Proponent.

IN SIGNING THIS PAGE AND SUBMITTING YOUR PROPOSAL, THE PROPONENT ACKNOWLEDGES HAVING READ AND UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS DOCUMENT.

# **APPENDIX C – EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Rated Criteria Category	Weighing Points
Understanding of Memorials request and demonstrated ability to achieve deliverable requirements	20
Expertise and experience in provision of international student health care support, including customer service and programs not directly related to health insurance coverage. i.e. culturally sensitive communications, simplified claims process, responsive customer service, wellness programs, volunteer support programs.	20
Quality of proposal	20
Presentation (As deemed necessary by Memorial)	20
Cost and fee structure	20
Total Points	100

# \*\*\* PRICING FORMULA\*\*\*

 $lowest\ price \div proponent's\ price \times weighting = proponent's\ pricing\ points$ 

# APPENDIX D - REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PARTICULARS

# **Negotiations**

Memorial University reserves the right to conduct negotiations with more than one vendor simultaneously.

# **Submission Requirements**

- Submission Form (Appendix B)
- Submission Detailing Scope and Specifications Required
- Completed Questionnaire
- Completed Benefits Comparison Worksheets

#### **Evaluation Committee**

(Proposed) Members of the Evaluation Committee are:

- 1. Foreign Health Insurance Coordinator, Internationalization Office
- 2. Manager, Internationalization Office
- 3. International Student Coordinator, Marine Institute
- 4. International Student Coordinator, Grenfell Campus
- 5. Representative from Student Wellness and Counselling Centre (SWCC)
- 6. Representative from Memorial University Student Union (MUNSU)

# APPENDIX E - BENEFITS COMPARISON WORKSHEET

# Memorial University International (Foreign) Student

Coverage 1 (Plan A) **Mandatory program.** Provides medically necessary emergent coverage for Students within NL and while travelling outside of NL when on Memorial approved course, training program or sponsored event. Includes coverage for short-term personal travel. Provides non-emergent coverage for physician visits and prescription medication and treatment that is medically necessary

Inbo	(Service Provider Name)	
Benefits	Current program	Proposed Rate & Deviations
Pre-existing condition exclusion	No pre-existing condition exclusion when eligible to apply for coverage	
Overall Maximum	\$5,000,000	
Description of Coverage	Reasonable & Customary charges to treat an Emergency Sickness, or Injury, & non-emergent related services as described	
Coinsurance	100%	
Medical Services		
Hospital	In-patient or out-patient as medically required; includes services and supplies	
Physician	Treatment including medically necessary follow up care to related treatment until condition is resolved & stable	
Lab Tests and Diagnostics	Medically necessary treatment for an eligible condition. Pre- approval necessary for major diagnostic services	
Private Nursing	\$20,000	
Prescription Drugs	Treatment for emergency related medical condition or injury. 60 Day maximum outside Hospital	
Psychiatric Care Hospital	Admission for suicide, attempted suicide, self-inflicted injuries, mental or emotional disorders, or treatment - Lifetime maximum aggregate limit of \$50,000	
Psychiatrist Fees	In-patient - lifetime \$10,000	
Ambulance	Ground transportation to nearest hospital, including transfers, when medically required.	
Medical Transportation	Ambulance costs - U & C. Commercial taxi service to and from Hospital, medical clinic, or pharmacy for eligible service treatment - up to \$150	
Air Transportation	Emergency illness, sickness or injury - nearest most appropriate Hospital up to \$300,000	
Maternity Benefit	Pre-natal, childbirth, newborn care (up to 15 days) - maximum of \$25,000. Consideration given if within 30 days of the effective date. The policy must be in effect for the entire term of the pregnancy	

Pregnancy (Serious Conditions)	Newborn care (up to 15 days). Combined maximum of \$50,000. i.e. miscarriage, stillbirth, infection, threat of life to mother or baby. 30-day consideration. Policy must be in effect for entire term of pregnancy. Exclusions related to common conditions such as morning sickness, spotting, ultrasounds, blood and urine testing for gestational diabetes	
Medical Equipment & Supplies	As a result of covered Sickness or Injury. Individual benefits and maximum apply	
Family Transportation	Hospitalization 7+ days, or in death of insured; no family within 500 km - \$5,000 for round-trip to bedside; lowest cost fare; direct route; two persons. \$5,000 for commercial accommodation & meals for 10 days	
Repatriation of remains	In event of death of the insured, R&C cost for preparation and return of remains or ashes to Home Country. If this benefit is chosen, Burial at host country benefit is not available	
Burial at host country	In the event of death of the insured, cost of cremation or burial at the location of death - maximum \$15,000. Includes cemetery plot and casket. If this benefit is chosen, repatriation of remains benefit is not available	
Accidental Dental	Emergency treatment to repair or replace natural or permanent artificial teeth due to an accidental blow to the head or mouth up to \$5,000. Replacement of bridge or denture plates are limited to \$500. Treatment must be within 90 days of accident	
Emergency Dental Care	Treatment for the immediate (emergency) relief of pain and suffering, includes root canals and wisdom teeth up to \$600	
Paramedical Coverage	Physician referred - Chiropractor, Osteopath, Naturopath, Acupuncturist, Athletic Therapist, Chiropodist, Podiatrist, Dietician or Nutritionist - \$1,000	
Physiotherapy and speech therapy	\$2,000	
Out-Patient Psychotherapy Treatment	Out-patient counselling \$2,000	
Annual physician visit	\$200 for one visit in Canada; non-emergency exam and associated tests	
Eye Exam	\$120 when performed by a licensed optometrist	
Wart treatment	Treatment of any type of warts up to \$500	
Diabetic supplies	Includes syringes, test strips and insulin up to \$400	
STD-STI testing	Consultation, screening & testing for sexually transmitted diseases or infections (In Canada) up to \$100	
Immunizations	\$150, including Tuberculosis (TB) testing, if a requirement of your course of studies	
Private tutor	Private tutorial services with qualified teachers - up to \$20 per hour, maximum \$1,200 when confined to hospital or home due to an eligible condition when confinement is more than 30 days	
Other Supportive Benefit for corrective devices	\$2,500 to assist with a medically necessary corrective device for defects, malfunction, and theft protection for an unrecovered, uninsured. Up to \$2,500	

Accidental Death, Dismemberment or Permanent Loss of Use	\$50,000 Principal Sum - Schedule of Losses apply	
Trauma Counseling	Included in AD&D - due to scheduled loss, within 90 days from the date of an accident during covered period, up to 10 sessions	
Out of Canada Coverage	Extends coverage for short-term travel outside Canada with limitation of travel to US up to 30 days per trip. Excludes coverage to home country unless trip is to participate in schoolorganized extracurricular event	
Additional Programs & Riders		
Alcohol and Drug Coverage Rider	\$100,000	
Extension of coverage for +65	Yes	
Non-Emergent Care Coverage Rider	\$10,000	
Other comments or deviations		

Coverage 2 (Plan B) **Mandatory program** for those who opt out based on MCP and are transferred to the student union health plan. Provides emergency coverage for Students while in NL (for non-MCP services) and while travelling outside of NL (OOP/OOC) when not covered under Plan A.

		Please confirm benefit coverage and maximum	
Outbound E	(Service Provider Name) Proposed		
Benefits	Proposed program based on current program	Rate	
Family Transportation	Hospitalization 7+ days, or in death of insured; no family within 500 km - \$5,000 for round-trip to bedside; lowest cost fare; direct route; two persons. \$5,000 for commercial accommodation & meals for 10 days		
Repatriation of remains	In event of death of the insured, R&C cost for preparation and return of remains or ashes to Home Country. If this benefit is chosen, Burial at host country benefit is not available		
Burial at host country	In the event of death of the insured, cost of cremation or burial at the location of death - maximum \$15,000. Includes cemetery plot and casket. If this benefit is chosen, repatriation of remains benefit is not available		
Out of Canada Coverage	Yes		
Other Comments or Deviations			

Coverage 3 (Outbound Exchange) **voluntary program** Provides medically necessary emergent coverage for Students on Exchange studies, course related travel. Includes short-term personal travel

Please confirm benefit coverage and maximum

Outbound Excha	ange - Voluntary	
Benefits	Current program	(Service Provider Name) Proposed Rate
Global Travel Insurance	Covering losses from sudden and unforeseeable circumstances 24-7	
Pre-existing condition Provision	Yes	Please describe your quoted pre-existing provision
Travel Assistance	Yes	Please describe the assistance service available
Hospital and Medical	Yes	
Accidental Dental	Yes	
Emergency Medical Evacuation/Return Home	Yes	
Accommodation & Meals	Yes	
Incidental Expenses	Yes	
Repatriation of Remains	Yes	
Cremation/Burial at Destination	Yes	
Baggage & Personal Effects	Yes	
Baggage Delay	Yes	
Maximum per item	Yes	
Personal Money	Yes	
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	Yes	
Other related benefits and policy provisions	Yes	Please provide policy benefits and provisions of the coverage you are presenting
Other comments or deviations		

Coverage 4 (Other) **Voluntary program.** This program provides emergency coverage for Students and Dependents who are not eligible for Coverage 1

	Please confirm benefit coverage and maximum
Benefits	(Service Provider Name) Proposed Rate
Emergency Inbound Coverage \$2,000,000	
Hospital Services	
Physician Services	
Ambulance	
Diagnostic and Lab Services	
Private Duty Nursing	
Prescription Drugs	
Psychiatric Hospitalization	
Air Evacuation and Return Home	
Pregnancy - complications only	
Medical Equipment	
Family Transportation	
Paramedical Services - including Physiotherapy and Speech Therapy and other standard providers	
Psychiatrist Fees - inpatient	
Psychologist - outpatient	
Repatriation of remains	
Burial at host country	
Dental injury	
Emergency Dental	
Out of Province or Country	
Eye Exam	
Non-Emergency Physician visit	
AD&D	
Trauma Counselling	
Other Misc benefits not noted relatable to emergency program coverage	

Benefit Options - Inbound

The following are Benefit Options for consideration. Please Quote as Option(s) providing additional cost and benefits available:

Related Student Class to Option	Benefit	Option Overview	(Service Provider Name) Proposed Rate
Related to all	Student Focused Mental Health Support Program	Please provide a rate and overview of program that supports student mental health support program. Include all media and process available for Students to contact for help. Please focus on how the program is International Student focused. This program will be reviewed for all International Students, and only Inbound Students. Please comment accordingly	
Related to #1	Telehealth or Similar Physician Contact Program	Please describe your program and applicable rates - If available all eligible Students (Inbound and Outbound)	
Related to #1	Gender Affirming Coverage	Please outline how your policy provides coverage for gender affirming care. If not covered in program, this may be quoted as a rider to the program	
Related to #1	Non-emergent dental coverage	Please include quoted rates to include coverage related to non-emergent dental care. This may be provided as a rider to the program	