

## VIP TRAVEL BENEFITS



### Information regarding coverage for international travel under the VIP Travel Benefit

As of October 1, 2020\*, the VIP Travel Optional Benefits under our Blue Choice and Conversion plans will offer coverage for COVID-19 when travelling internationally. The Emergency Medical Care benefit will cover your clients should they contract the COVID-19 virus while travelling within Canada or internationally.

**Please note** that clients are not covered for Emergency Medical Care if they have tested positive for COVID-19 or are showing symptoms within 90 days prior to departure.

While our coverage will protect clients against medical expenses for COVID-19 while travelling internationally, we recommend adhering to advice of the Government of Canada by avoiding non-essential travel outside of Canada in order to protect the health of travellers and the Canadian public.

**Important:** The VIP Travel Optional Benefit contains an exclusion for any expenses incurred in a country, region or city where a travel warning of 'Avoid non-essential travel' (Level 3) or 'Avoid all travel' (Level 4) was in place prior to the date of departure. **An exception has been made to this rule in the case of the COVID-19 pandemic only.**

If there is a Level 3 or 4 warning advising against travel for your client's destination for any reason other than the COVID-19 pandemic, the client will not have emergency medical care coverage when travelling to that destination. Please refer clients to the [Government of Canada's Travel Advisories](#) page to check advisories for reasons other than COVID-19 for their chosen destination.

**For more information and answers to questions regarding coverage under the VIP Travel Benefit, please refer to [sk.bluecross.ca/covid-19-information](https://sk.bluecross.ca/covid-19-information).**

\*Prior to October 1, 2020, the VIP Travel Benefits offered coverage for travel within Canada only.

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