



Nisga'a Valley Health Authority

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NISGA'A NON-INSURED HEALTH BENEFITS CARD APPLICATION (NIHB)

This application is for a Great West Life Benefits Card only. Please ensure that your application includes all required information and documentation including completing the Additional Information section that will help to expedite your application. If eligible, your application will be processed and submitted to Great West Life for a benefits card. Great West Life administers the dental and pharmaceutical benefits programs for the Nisga'a Nation. Coverage includes dental and pharmaceutical benefits (prescription coverage) based on formularies. Other NIHB benefits include Medical Transportation and Medical Supplies & Equipment that the NVHA administers.

NISGA'A CITIZENSHIP

Pursuant to Chapter 20 (Enrolment and Eligibility) of the Nisga'a Final Agreement, an individual is eligible to be enrolled in the Nisga'a enrolment register, if that individual is:

- A) Of Nisga'a ancestry and their mother was born into one of the Nisga'a tribes;
- B) A descendant of an individual described in subparagraph (a) above or subparagraph (c) below;
or
- C) An adopted child of an individual described in subparagraphs (a) or (b) above; or
- D) An aboriginal individual who is married to someone described in subparagraph (a), (b), or (c) above, and has been adopted by one of the four Nisga'a tribes as a member of the tribe, in the presence of witnesses from the other Nisga'a tribes at a settlement or stone moving feast.

For more information on Nisga'a Citizenship, please contact Enrolment and Eligibility, Nisga'a Lisims Government, at 250-633-3000 or 1-888-311-9457.

MEDICAL SERVICES PLAN (MSP)

Nisga'a Lisims Government (NLG) is responsible for the BC Health Insurance Premiums for eligible Nisga'a Citizens and/or Nisga'a Status Indians who are registered with one of the four Nisga'a Village Governments. To administer the BC Health Insurance Premiums referred to as Medical Services Premiums (MSP), NLG has entered into a partnership with First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) to ensure that all eligible Nisga'a members who reside in BC are covered with MSP (BC Care Card). Eligibility for the FNHA **Health Benefits** extends to all First Nations people that are residents of British Columbia (*excluding persons who receive health benefits by way of a First Nations organization pursuant to self-government agreements with Canada*). The following are mandatory requirements for First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) eligibility:

- Nisga'a Citizenship
- And/or Registered Status Indian
- Resident of British Columbia
- Active Personal Health Number (PHN – Care Card number)

If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact the FNHA Eligibility Unit at the toll free number 1-800-317-7878, extension 4.