

Date:Wednesday, 01 February 2023To:All PartnersFrom:Discover QatarSub.:Mandatory Health Insurance - Qatar

Dear Valued Partner,

The Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) has announced the start of applying the first phase of the health insurance system in the State of Qatar, in implementation of the provisions of Law No. (22) of 2021 about regulating health care services in the State of Qatar, which stipulate that visitors must be covered by health insurance. For more information see: <a href="https://www.moph.gov.qa/english/derpartments/policyaffairs/hfid/Pages/Health-Insurance-Scheme.aspx">https://www.moph.gov.qa/english/derpartments/policyaffairs/hfid/Pages/Health-Insurance-Scheme.aspx</a>

MOPH noted that the health insurance system would be applied in phases to ensure smooth implementation, pointing out that it is scheduled to be applied to all visitors to the State, starting from Wednesday, February 1, 2023.

The Ministry has prepared the necessary mechanisms to begin the first phase of insurance for visitors to the State, whereby visitors shall be covered by a health insurance policy issued by health insurance companies registered with MOPH. For the list of currently approved health insurance companies please see:

https://www.moph.gov.qa/english/derpartments/policyaffairs/hfid/hirs/insurancecompanies/Pages/default.aspx

As it stands **all** visitors will have to buy the newly implemented health insurance to be allowed to enter the State of Qatar. Insurance can be bought online (see below links) or on arrival at Hamad International Airport. We recommend that the insurance if pre-purchased to avoid any delays on arrival into Qatar.

The Ministry explained that the insurance policy for visitors covers basic health care services; emergency services and accidents only, the cost for this mandatory insurance policy for a single 30-day visa is QAR 50 upon the initial issuance and each time the visit visa is extended. It added that visitors at their discretion may obtain insurance policies that cover more services, and that the premiums vary according to the providers.

Current approved health insurance companies and their products are:

https://app.takaful.qa/travelinbound/index (continued on the next page)

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