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For newcomers to Sweden

Asylum seekers who are at least 18 years of age and who hold valid LMA cards are entitled to “immediate health care and care that cannot wait”. The doctor decides whether it is necessary to provide health care for a disease or injury. The same rules apply to emergency dental care and emergency aid.

Asylum seekers children and youths below the age of 18 have the same health care rights as children and young people living and registered in Sweden. The County Council even provides free health care during the year the child turns 19.

All asylum seeker adults and children and all children in hiding have the right to a health care check-up.

Pregnant asylum seekers are entitled to childbirth delivery care and maternity welfare care. You also have the right to contraceptive advice and medical care in the event of an abortion. This health care is also free of charge.

Charges for asylum seekers

- Doctor’s appointments at a primary health care centre or medical care following a referral costs SEK 50.
- Other medical care treatment costs SEK 25 with a referral from a doctor working in the public health care system.
- If you visit an emergency or specialist surgery without a referral you must pay the standard patient charge.
- Asylum seekers are entitled to free travel to and from health care facilities provided by the County Council. You pay a maximum of SEK 40 per one-way journey.

Remember that you need to show your LMA card when you receive health care or dental care. The same applies when purchasing prescription medication at the pharmacy and during health care transport.

Information can be found in different languages at the Regional Social Insurance Office website, www.forsakringskassan.se/privatpers/ny_i_sverige

At the Regional Social Insurance Office you can also book a telephone call in ten different languages. You can get information in English if you call 0771 524 524.



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