

WHAT DOES THE NIHB NAVIGATOR DO?

The NIHB Navigator serves all Status First Nation citizens by:

- Providing support for First Nation citizens to access their non-insured health benefits
- Advocating on behalf of clients and First Nation communities to resolve NIHB issues
- Working to strengthen relationships with health care providers and federal and provincial Treaty partners
- Improving awareness of the NIHB program and provide information to clients and service providers on the eligible benefits and how to address denials and appeals
- Connecting members to the appropriate services, programs and organizations (SCO does not provide funding)



CONTACT US TODAY!

If you have any questions regarding your Non-Insured Health Benefits, please contact one of our NIHB Navigators.

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The Southern Chiefs' Organization (SCO) is an independent political organization, representing 33 Anishinaabe and Dakota Nations and more than 87,000 citizens in what is now southern Manitoba. SCO's mandate is to protect, preserve, promote, and enhance First Nations peoples' inherent rights, languages, customs, and traditions through the application and implementation of the spirit and intent of the Treaty-making process.



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NON-INSURED HEALTH BENEFITS NAVIGATION



Are you a Status First Nation citizen who is unsure of the benefits covered by the Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB) program?

Have you been denied a benefit by First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) and are uncertain why?

Do you have any questions regarding NIHB benefits?

The Non-Insured Health Benefits Navigators can help. We serve citizens from all SCO member Nations both on and off reserve.

We now have a navigator located in Brandon, MB to help serve SCO community members living in Western Manitoba.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR NON-INSURED HEALTH BENEFITS?

An eligible client must be a resident of Canada and any of the following:

- A First Nations person who is registered under the Indian Act (has a status number)
- An Inuk recognized by an Inuit land claim organization
- A child less than 24 months of age who is eligible for status or recognition as an Inuk

To make sure that your child continues to be eligible for the program, you should apply for your child's:

- Secure Certificate of Indian Status
- Recognition from your Inuit land claim organization

The Non-Insured Health Benefits program covers the following:

MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION

- Modes of transportation (ground travel, water travel and/or air travel)
- Coordinated travel
- Emergency travel
- Meals and accommodations
- Escorts (approved)

Other medically necessary health services including addictions treatment and access to Traditional Healers



EYE AND VISION CARE

- General eye and vision exams
- Specific/partial eye exams
- Follow-up exams
- Partial and single procedure eye exams
- First pair of eyeglasses
- Replacement eyeglasses/lenses
- Eyeglass repairs

DENTAL SERVICES

- Diagnostic services (exams and x-rays)
- Preventative services
- Restorative services (fillings)
- Endodontic services (root canals)
- Prosthodontics removable services (dentures, partials)
- Orthodontic services (braces)
- Oral surgery services (extraction)
- Adjunctive services (sedation)

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND MEDICATION

- Prescription drugs
- Over-the-counter drugs (OTC)
- Open benefits
- Limited-use benefits
- Medications required by chronic renal failure patients
- Palliative care formulary

MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

- Audiology (hearing aids and supplies)
- Bathing and toileting aids
- Cushions and protectors
- Environmental aids (dressing and feeding)
- Lifting and transfer aids
- Low vision aids
- Mobility aids (walking aids and wheelchairs)
- Orthotics and custom footwear
- Ostomy supplies
- Prosthetics

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