Akwesasne Non-Insured Health Benefits Program

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Eligibility

MCR: 2001/2002—436

- Must be registered as a Mohawk of Akwesasne (band number beginning with 159)
- Must have a valid provincial health card
- Must be a resident of Canada



REMINDER: Akwesasne Non-Insured Health Benefits Program is the payer of last resort. **Your private insurance must be utilized first.**

If You Paid Out of Pocket

Steps to follow for **reimbursement**:

- 1. Find specific criteria or limitations on ANIHB benefits by contacting the ANIHB to verify benefit coverage before making the purchase or receiving the service.
- **2.** Fill out the NIHB Client Reimbursement form
- **3.** Mail in the completed and <u>signed form</u> along with proof of payment and any supporting information.

Note: The claim must be received within one year from the date of service or purchase to be eligible for payment.

Services and Benefits

VISION CARE



Ontario Region Only

- Eyeglasses prescribed by a vision care professional
- Eye Examinations

Frequency Guidelines:

- 1-17yrs & 65yrs+ old: 1 frame per year
- 18-64years old: 1 frame per 2 years

For vision care outside of Ontario Region please contact the NIHB Regional Office:

www.canada.gc.ca/nihb

DENTAL CARE

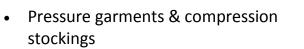


- Preventative services: polishing, scaling, exams, radiographs (x-rays)
- Restorative Services: fillings, crowns
- Orthodontic Services: Braces (0-17yrs)
- Dentures, extractions, root canal treatments

For a full list of eligible benefits please refer to the Akwesasne Dental Benefit Grid at:

www.akwesasne.ca

MEDICAL SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT

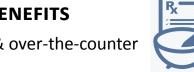




- Medical supplies (eg. Dressings & bandages)
- Medical equipment (eg, walkers, wheelchairs)
- Orthotics and custom footwear
- Oxygen supplies and equipment
- Hearing aids

For a full list of eligible benefits please refer to: www.canada.gc.ca/nihb

PHARMACY BENEFITS



- Prescription & over-the-counter medications
- Exception drugs (medications that require Prior Approval)

For a full list of eligible benefits please refer to the NIHB Drug Benefit List at: www.canada.gc.ca/nihb

Steps for Exception Drugs:

- Obtain prescription
- Go to pharmacist. The pharmacist will contact the ANIHB to obtain a Prior Approval
- The ANIHB will process the request and your pharmacist will contact you when the decision is made

MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION



Ontario & Catchment Area Only

Note: Contact ANIHB **2** weeks prior to your scheduled appointment

- Travel cost and living expenses if needed (meal and accommodations) for medically necessary health services that are not available in your area of residence: to the nearest professional.
- Medically necessary health services include: appointments with physicians, hospital care & medical treatments
- Emergency transportation (eg ambulance)

For Medical Transportation outside of the catchment area please contact the regional office at:

www.canada.gc.ca/nihb

Services that are not covered

- Medical Bills outside of Canada
- Dental Implants
- Medical Marijuana
- Fertility Medications
- Weight-loss Medications
- Federal or Provincial Benefits (benefits eligible through your Health Card)
- Cosmetic Procedures
- Transportation for personal errands
- Vehicle repairs / home renovations
- Claims submitted to ANIHB after one year from the date of service or purchase

Appeals

If a benefit has been denied by the ANIHB, you may appeal the decision.



Appeal Steps:

- 1. Fill out the ANIHB Appeal Form
- **2.** Mail (or drop off) the completed and <u>signed</u> <u>form</u> along with supporting documentation.

Supporting documentation may include:

- Coverage or denial from Private insurance
- Medical justification from a medical professional
- A full treatment plan with costs
- Lab results within 6 months (for Pharmacy Appeals)

For more information please visit us at:

akwesasne.ca/health/akwesasne-non-insured-health-benefits/