Steps to Completing the Health Insurance Waiver

1. Be sure that your alternate insurance plan meets the waiver criteria listed below:

   • Must be provided by a company licensed to do business in the United States, with a U.S. claims payment office and a U.S. telephone number.

   • Must be currently active and you must promise to maintain it during the entire period you are registered for the current academic school term.

   • Must provide an annual minimum of $100,000 in coverage for each accident or illness you may suffer each policy year.

   • Must include coverage for prescriptions (medications prescribed by a physician).

   • Must cover pre-existing conditions (illnesses or medical conditions that began before the effective date of the insurance coverage) with no waiting period (or the plan must have been in effect long enough that any waiting period has already passed).

   • Must cover in-patient and out-patient medical and mental health care in the Washington, D.C. area, including Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Detoxification Treatment. Please note that emergency-only coverage does not satisfy this requirement.

   • Must cover expenses related to self-inflicted injuries and suicide.

   • Must have a maximum deductible of $500-International Students or $1,500-Domestic Students.

   • Must provide at least $10,000 for medical evacuation. Medical evacuation is transportation to your home country so that you can receive medical care there.

   • Must provide at least $7,500 for repatriation of remains. Repatriation provides transportation to your home country in the event of your death.

     Please note that travel insurance is not eligible for an exemption or waiver.

     You must be registered for classes in order to waive out of the Aetna Student Health Insurance.

     MUST BE COMPLETELY ANNUALLY

     Waiver Period: December 1st – January 31st
2. Visit [https://www.aetnastudenthealth.com/](https://www.aetnastudenthealth.com/)

3. In the purple box on the top right, “Get started by searching for your College or University, enter “GWU”
4. The website will now bring you to the official GW Aetna Insurance page, select “Waive: Student Health Insurance Plan”.

5. Step 1: Under “Student Information” select if you are an International or Domestic student. Then, select your program type Early Arrival, Graduate, or Undergraduate.

Under “Secure Login” enter your GWID WITH the “G” and your Date of Birth. Then select “Get Started”
Step 2: select “Waive” in the orange box.

Proceed to waiver. Read through all of the waiver policy terms and agreements. Answer all questions accurately. You will receive a confirmation email once your waiver has been processed.

Questions, please contact:

Camri Henderson, Health Insurance Coordinator
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202-994-6827, option #3

Or

Aetna Student Health Insurance
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