

## 1. Purpose

All International Students are required by law to have Overseas Student Health Cover prior to visa approval. Students are to obtain this cover prior to entry into Australia and are to be covered from the day they arrive until the end of the issued visa.

## 2. Scope

This policy applies to all Students who are making application to or commencing study with MARS INSTITUTE.

## 3. Online Learning Environment

- 1) As a condition of the student visa, the Australian Government requires the student to have Overseas Student Health Cover.
  - a) MARS INSTITUTE is able to provide OSHC through Bupa (<http://www.bupa.com.au/health-insurance/cover/oshc>) and NIB (<https://www.nib.com.au/overseas-students>), and will provide the associated fees and charges on the Letter of Offer, or
  - b) The student is free to arrange OSHC themselves.
    - o Students will not be able to obtain a valid Student visa, if they do not have proof of OSHC

### MARS INSTITUTE ARRANGED

- 1) As part of the Application for Enrolment students are required to indicate whether they require MARS INSTITUTE to provide OSHC.
- 2) If MARS INSTITUTE is to arrange cover, the associated fees will be listed on the Letter of Offer and must be paid at the time of acceptance.
  - o Failure to pay the required fee may affect the Confirmation of Enrolment provided by MARS INSTITUTE as well as your Student visa application

### STUDENT ARRANGED

- 1) As part of the Application for Enrolment students are required to indicate whether they will arrange their own OSHC cover.

More Information:

<http://www.privatehealth.gov.au/healthinsurance/overseas/oshc.htm>

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud/More/Health-Insurance-for-Students>

Fact Sheet OSHC:

<https://internationaleducation.gov.au/Regulatory-Information/Documents/OSHC%20fact%20sheet%20-%20for%20education%20providers.pdf>

- 2) If the student is to arrange cover, they are required to provide MARS INSTITUTE with all details in order to validate a Confirmation of Enrolment.
  - o Failure to obtain OSHC may result in your Student visa application being denied