

Extended Medical Coverage Policy

This policy addresses the applicability of university provided extended medical coverage for former student-athletes. Former student-athletes who sustained an injury as the result of participating as an intercollegiate student-athlete at the University of Colorado during competitions, practices, and/or strength and conditioning sessions potentially qualify for extended medical coverage.

To be potentially eligible for future extended medical coverage as a former student-athlete, each current student-athlete must have completed a Sports Medicine Exit Questionnaire within thirty days of concluding athletic participation or removal from a CU Athletics team roster. The Questionnaire will provide opportunity for the student-athlete to document and confirm all athletic injuries sustained while participating in their sport at the University of Colorado.

Eligible and qualified student-athletes may receive extended medical coverage for a period of up to 4 years after the student-athlete's graduation or separation from the University of Colorado or until the student-athlete turns 26 years of age, whichever occurs first.

If any of the following situations apply, the former student-athlete will not be eligible for the extended medical coverage:

- 1.) The student-athlete transfers from the University of Colorado to a different institution and begins practicing, conditioning activities, or volunteer workouts after departure.
- 2.) The student-athlete fails to participate in or complete University of Colorado sports Medicine-required rehabilitation/treatment programs following the original injury.
- 3.) The student-athlete signs a contract/agreement with a post-collegiate team or organization.
- 4.) The student-athlete fails to complete the Sports Medicine Exit Questionnaire within the required thirty day time frame.
- 5.) Insufficient or false information regarding injury is provided on the Sports Medicine Exit Questionnaire.
- 6.) Pre-existing medical conditions or illness.
- 7.) Non-athletic related injuries or illness.
- 8.) Failure to comply with the University of Colorado-Sports Medicine authorization and referral procedures.

In order to be eligible for Extended Medical Coverage benefits the former student athlete must comply with the following procedures:

- 1) Provide proof of current health insurance
- 2) Utilize a medical provider within their current health insurance network
- 3) Follow established University of Colorado-Sports Medicine authorization and referral procedures **prior** to scheduling any medical appointments.