How to Waive

1. Go to buckeyelink.osu.edu
2. Click the My Buckeye Link Student login tile
3. Enter your name and log in credentials.
4. On your My Buckeye Link homepage, locate the Student Health Insurance title bar in the Finances area and click the Select/Waive Coverage link.
5. Click the button next to Waive SHI Benefits Plan (I have other medical insurance for the academic year).
6. Select the Academic Terms and click NEXT.

Reminder: Your waiver will stay in place for the remaining terms of the academic year. However, if you need to, you can newly Select the SHI Benefits Plan for spring/summer 2024. You can also select coverage at any time during the year if you have a Qualifying Event and meet eligibility requirements.
7. Enter accurate information into all fields on this screen. Your insurance member ID card should contain all this information. SHI uses the information entered to verify you are compliant with the university's health insurance requirement. Errors or omissions will cause delays.
   a. For the Insurance Company Plan box, click the magnifying glass for a list of common companies.
   b. No Payer ID is required if your company name is available in the list of common companies.
   c. If you do not see your company, click Other and you will be prompted with a new box to type the Name and Payer ID.
   d. The Payer ID is most often found on the back of the insurance card in the Provider or Claims submission section. It is usually five (5) alpha or numeric characters. If you are unable to locate it, enter NA or None.

Student Health Insurance - Waiver Information

Academic Terms: AU23, SP24, SU24
Insurance Period: August 15, 2023 to August 12, 2024

In order to WAIVE OUT of the SHI Benefits Plan, all students must complete this waiver process by the published deadline each year. Failure to do so results in automatic enrollment in the SHI Benefits Plan (assuming continued eligibility).

Insurance Company Information
Click on the magnifying glass to select the name of your insurance. If you don't see yours, select "Other" from the alphabetical list, and a new box will appear for you to type the name of your insurance.

*Insurance Company/Government: Astina
Plan: 
*Insurance Company Telephone Number: 

Policy Holder's Information

*Subscriber/Member/Insured Last Name: 
*Subscriber/Member/Insured First Name: 
Policy/Group Number (if available): 
*Subscriber/Member/Insured ID: 
Your ID (if different than above): 

*Required Fields
8. Check the boxes if you wish to share your insurance coverage information with these departments.
9. Click I AGREE to submit your choice to Waive the SHI Benefits Plan with your other annual health insurance.

Student Health Insurance - Waiver Acknowledgement

I acknowledge that by submitting this form, I am waiving out of the SHI Benefits Plan for the selected academic term(s).

In addition, I hereby certify:

* That I am currently enrolled in a primary individual or group health insurance policy that will remain in effect throughout the academic year;
* That I have compared my plan to the SHI Benefits Plan and have determined the benefits to be comparable;
* I understand that the next opportunity I will have to enroll in the SHI Benefits Plan will not be until the enrollment period for the following term, unless I experience a qualifying event;
* I will be solely responsible for all medical expenses and neither the Ohio State University nor the Ohio State SHI Benefits Plan will be held responsible for any medical expenses that I incur.

I understand that the information provided herein is confidential and will be used for the sole purpose of documenting my decision to waive the SHI Benefits Plan. Furthermore, I understand that this information will not be made available to any third party outside the Student Health Insurance Account Administrator, without my expressed consent.

By checking the applicable box(es) below, I give my consent to release information provided herein to the designated University department(s) for the purposes of proof of eligibility and/or claims processing in the event that I receive medical care services provided by the designated department(s):

- [ ] Student Health Services at the Wilcox Student Health Center
- [ ] Counseling and Consultation Services at the Younkin Success Center
- [ ] Department of Athletics
- [ ] The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center

I am also granting The Ohio State University or its agent permission to verify this information through a random audit process. If it is determined that the information provided on this form is invalid, I understand that I will be enrolled in and billed for the SHI Benefits Plan.

To complete this waiver process, click the "Agree" button once, then wait for your Confirmation Number to appear. This number will replace all your previous confirmation numbers.

I AGREE: You have waived (have not enrolled in) the SHI Benefits Plan for the selected academic term(s).

I DISAGREE: You will be billed for the SHI Benefits Plan for the selected academic term(s) if you meet the eligibility criteria.

Return To My BuckeyeLink
10. This Confirmation screen verifies that you completed the Select/Waive process to waive the SHI Benefits Plan. A confirmation email will also be sent to your university email account.

**Student Health Insurance - Confirmation**

Coverage Selection: Waiver  
Insurance Level: No Insurance Level  
Insurance Period: August 15, 2023 to August 12, 2024  
Academic Terms: AU23, SP24, SU24

STOP! Please read the following information regarding your confirmation number.

Your confirmation number is: **000874258**

Thank you for completing the Student Health Insurance (SHI) Select / Waive process. This confirms your WAIVER of the university offered Student Health Insurance (SHI) Benefits Plan. Please keep this notification for your records.

**Your Next Steps:**

**Review Statement of Account:**

1. Please allow 1-2 business days for your Statement of Account to reflect any fee adjustments.

**Coverage Audit:**

1. The university requires students enrolled at least half time in a degree program of study have and maintain active, verifiable, annual health insurance coverage.
2. The SHI office routinely audits the health insurance information you provided during the Select / Waive process to ensure your compliance with this requirement.
3. If our office is unable to verify active coverage, the SHI Benefits Plan fee will be added to your account. Please respond promptly to any requests from our office for additional information.

Should your circumstances change and you decide to choose the SHI Benefits Plan coverage, you may enroll at the start of the next term. Certain life events may also allow you to enroll in coverage during the term.

Please contact our office with any questions or concerns and again, thank you!

**NEXT STEPS:** Monitor your Statement of Account to make sure the SHI fee is removed. It can take up to two business days for the fee to be removed. If the fee remains, your waiver is not enacted.