

## **EHIC CARD**

All members of U.K. groups (adults and children) travelling to Europe are advised to obtain a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). Each child must have their own card. While the EHIC is valuable protection, it should not be used as a substitute for travel insurance.

## **WHAT IS AN EHIC**

An EHIC will enable you to access state-provided healthcare in European Economic Area (EEA) countries and Switzerland at a reduced cost, or sometimes for free. It will cover your treatment until you return to the UK.

## **HOW TO APPLY :**

The EHIC is usually applied for online and is FREE OF CHARGE. Please be aware of websites that charge you for this service.

The official website is [www.ehic.org.uk](http://www.ehic.org.uk)  
Automated Telephone Service : 0300 330 1350

Online application take approximately 7-10 days. Postal applications will take longer.

## **VALIDITY :**

If you already have an EHIC card, please check the expiry date. It's possible to apply for a new card up to 6 months before it expires.