
Travel with/by children

U.S. and Canadian authorities and transportation companies are increasingly vigilant in questioning persons travelling with children. If you are planning to travel to the United States with a child, you should carry documentation such as a custody order or a letter certifying that you have the legal right to bring the child with you. You might need to prove your custody rights for very young children as well. Also, persons under the age of 18 who are travelling on their own should carry documentation showing that they have the permission of custodial parents.

Medical insurance

It is unlikely that your medical insurance in Canada will cover all or most of the costs you might incur for medical services in the United States. Moreover, you might have to pay for services in advance.

Before leaving, all Canadians planning to visit the United States — for whatever period — are advised to purchase medical insurance for travel outside Canada. Out-of-country medical insurance is available through travel agents or directly from insurers listed in the Yellow Pages. Check the following points when purchasing medical insurance for trips outside Canada:

- ✓ Are foreign hospitals and related medical costs paid directly or are you required to pay and seek reimbursement later?