## **ENGLISH TRANSLATION**

Dear Students,

we inform you, that the <u>procedure regulating payments of annual contribution</u> for registering with National Healthcare Service (SSN) <u>has been changed</u>, starting from 15/02/2024, when Regione Emilia-Romagna issued an implementing regulation, in compliance with national legislation, which provides that payment of the annual contribution for the voluntary healthcare insurance (National Health Service), must now be made exclusively by using payment model F24 with direct collection of the amount by Regione Emilia-Romagna.

Therefore it will be no longer possible to make this payment by model PagoPA, used before.

Amounts to be paid will not change (700 Euros for a single student – minimum of 2000 Euros for student with dependent family members living in Italy) as will not the validity period of the insurance, with expiry date confirmed at the end of the year (31st December).

Students who are interested in obtaining the insurance by National Health Service must in any case, first of all, go to our headquarters in Piacenza, address: Piazzale Milano 2, where they will be able to contact our operators who will carry out an administrative check of their documentation, then they will help the students to fill out model F24 and they will also give detailed information for the completion of healthcare registration procedure, using this method of payment.

Therefore students must contact exclusively our administrative offices in Piacenza, located in Piazzale Milano 2 (opening hours Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 8.15 to 13.45 – Thursday continued schedule from 8.15 to 17.00)

Payments made improperly or incorrectly by post or bank offices will not be refunded.

Please note that students who are working in different ways in Italy are required to pay this contribution, until they will obtain by "Questura" the conversion of the official reason of their permit of stay from "study" to "work",

Registration by National Health Service (SSN), although not compulsory, is warmly suggested because it entitles the student to the same treatment guaranteed to people officially resident in Italy, on all the national territory, including the direct choice of a doctor (general practitioner).

Students coming from E.U. Countries or assimilated ones (United Kingdom, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein) and Italians students officially resident abroad will have to apply directly to our office before making any possible payment, in order to check if they hold a valid EHIC (European Health Insurance Card), which guarantees healthcare coverage in Italy.

<u>Healthcare cards issued to students will be valid only in Italy and not abroad. They are not valid as EHICs (European Health Insurance Cards).</u>

Students who have their <u>official residence or place of domicile in</u> LOMBARDY REGION shall refer to the local healthcare unit; for this purpose they can use the following web-link:

https://www.regione.lombardia.it/wps/portal/istituzionale/HP/DettaglioServizio/servizi-e-informazioni/Cittadini/salute-e-prevenzione/strutture-sanitarie-e-sociosanitarie/ser-aziende-ospedaliere-sal/aziende-socio-sanitarie-territoriali

Finally we would remind all students that, for any further information, they can get in touch with

our International Mobility Office located in Piacenza - Piazzale Milano 2 -

phone 0523-317518 Monday to Friday from 9.00 to 12.00.

e-mail address: ufficioestero@ausl.pc.it.

Best regards.