

Coverage for out-of-area students enrolled with PacifiCare: Information at-a-glance

Southern California Schools VEBA and PacifiCare are committed to providing you and your eligible dependants with the best health care services, even when all family members are not living under the same roof.

If you are enrolled in a PacifiCare medical plan option offered through Southern California Schools VEBA, and you have an eligible dependent student who lives outside of your coverage area, you can take special steps to ensure that your dependent receives coverage in his or her area. Please refer to the following table for a summary of out-of-area coverage guidelines. For detailed information on a specific scenario, please go to www.vebaonline.com or contact your local HR representative.

Definition of eligible student dependent

Your child is deemed an eligible dependent student if he or she is:

- Unmarried
- At least 19 years of age, but less than 25
- Primarily dependent on you for support and maintenance
- A full-time student carrying at least 12 units and attending an accredited college, university, or a State Department of Education-approved vocational/technical school.

Scenario	Your dependent may enroll in ...	What you need to do
Your dependent lives in California and has access to the PacifiCare Signature Value HMO network	A full-network PacifiCare plan that corresponds to the Signature Value Advantage network plan you elect as a VEBA member enrolling in medical coverage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Work with your child to select a PCP in his or her area. ■ Contact PacifiCare at 800-624-8822 to confirm that the PCP is accepting new patients and provide additional information. ■ Contact the VEBA Advocacy Programs office at 619-278-0021, Monday through Friday. ■ Ask the representative to change your eligible dependent student's medical plan from "Signature Value Advantage" to "Signature Value."
Your dependent does not have access to the PacifiCare HMO network	The dependent is automatically assigned to the dependent PacifiCare Preferred Provider Organization (PPO). Your dependent must remain in the PPO for the entire plan year (in other words, your dependent cannot switch back to your HMO plan if he or she returns home for summer break).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Complete a change of address form at your district's benefits office.

About VEBA

Southern California Schools VEBA is a cooperative labor-management trust program that manages health care benefits for participating districts and associations by positively influencing the quality, affordability, and accessibility of care delivered by contracted health plans and their providers. Learn more about Southern California Schools VEBA at www.vebaonline.com or call 619-278-0021.

This summary is merely a brief description of the major benefits of the plan(s) and is not intended to alter or expand benefits rights or liabilities as set forth in the official plan documents and contracts. Additionally, the plan options available to you are based on the plans bargained by your district or association.