After the arrival in the Czech Republic and before commencing their studies (within 30 days from arrival at the latest), government scholarship holders have to undergo an initial medical examination. If this medical examination determines that a government scholarship holder suffers from an infectious or serious disease, the attending physician is obliged to notify the Ministry of Health of this fact.

A person diagnosed with an infectious disease, listed in Annex No. 5, items a) through c), to these Guidelines, during the initial medical examination loses entitlement to the scholarship (cf. item g) of Chapter 7). The Ministry of Health shall however cover urgent care related to the treatment of such infectious disease. The Ministry of Health shall also cover further urgent care deemed necessary during the treatment of the infectious disease concerned, if this care is provided within the period of 60 days from the initial medical examination.

The Ministry of Health shall cover the urgent care related to the treatment of a serious disease listed in Annex No. 5, items d) through o), to these Guidelines which was diagnosed during the initial medical examination of a person. The Ministry of Health shall also cover other urgent care deemed necessary during the treatment of the serious disease concerned, if this care is provided within the period of 60 days from the initial medical examination. After the 60-day period from the initial medical examination, the Government scholarshipholder is obliged to provide evidence that he/she has contracted health insurance in compliance with the Act No. 326/1999 Coll, on the Residence of Foreign Nationals in the territory of the Czech Republic, as amended.

The student shall lose his/her status of a government scholarship-holder as of the date when scholarship payment is terminated and is obliged to contract a comprehensive health insurance policy with a scope corresponding to the provisions stipulated in the Act No. 326/1999 Coll, on the Residence of Foreign Nationals in the territory of the Czech Republic, as amended.

The Ministry of Health shall not reimburse health services related to pregnancy, delivery and childcare to female government scholarship holders. If pregnancy is established in a female government scholarship holder, it is recommended that she should discontinue her studies and return to her homeland for the necessary period of time. If the student decides to continue her studies, it is her duty to effect travel health insurance for herself and her baby in accordance with the provision of Section 180j (5) of Act No. 326/1999 Coll., on the Residence of Foreign Nationals in the territory of the Czech Republic, as amended.

## 10 Obligations of a Government Scholarship Holder

A foreign national who has been granted a scholarship of the Government of the Czech Republic and who has accepted this scholarship is obliged to abide by the rules laid down in the Guidelines for Granting Scholarships of the Government of the Czech Republic and to follow instructions given by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports issued in relation to the Government Scholarship Programme and designated for government scholarship holders.

A government scholarship holder is furthermore obliged to:

- Fully focus on his/her studies for which the scholarship of the Government of the Czech Republic was granted, with the aim of completing studies within the standard period of study;
- Comply with legal regulations valid in the Czech Republic as well as regulations of the university where s/he pursues his/her studies;
- Immediately inform an employee of the Department of Bilateral and Multilateral Programs of the Czech National Agency for International Education and Research about the following:
  - Changes that have taken place in information stated in the Decision on Granting a Scholarship or that are essential with regard to pursuing studies with a scholarship of the Government of the Czech Republic;
  - Facts that may lead to exceeding the regular period of study (e.g. repetition of a year, study distribution, individual study plan, long illness or serious personal problems, etc.);
  - Problems, difficulties and shortcomings related to the Government Scholarship Programme;