

Allowances and support schemes for undocumented minors

Information for parents

Children from 5 to 18 years old without residence papers (undocumented minors) have the right to education. Below you can find details of the schemes for allowances and support, further education and work placements, medical and dental care and vaccinations that your child is entitled to. It is important that you apply for the following schemes before your child's 18th birthday.

School supplies and school fees

• <u>Sam& voor alle Kinderen</u>

The organisations Stichting Leergeld, Stichting Samen is niet Alleen, various sport and culture funds and Jarige Job offer a wide range of support for school and non-school related activities and supplies. You can apply via the <u>website</u>.

<u>Stichting Leergeld Amsterdam</u>

Here you can get support for things such as extra tutoring, a bicycle, a laptop, school supplies, lunchtime care or other school-related supplies for your child. You can apply using the form on the <u>website</u>.

Support at home

• Stichting Samen Is Niet Alleen

Here you can apply for an allowance for practical necessities such as beds, desks and bicycles. An officer of the foundation will pay a visit to your home to properly assess your needs. The foundation also grants allowances for swimming lessons, sports and cultural activities, without requiring a home visit. You can apply using the form on the <u>website</u>.

Sports subscription fees

Jeugdfonds Sport

Allowances for the subscription fees of a sport club. You can apply via the intermediary who is supporting you (e.g. a teacher or someone from stichting leergeld, stichting Samen is Niet Alleen or the neighbourhood support team), on the <u>website</u> or at the sport club using your City Pass.

Further education

Undocumented minors lose their right to enrol in a new (further) education programme after their 18th birthday. They are allowed to complete any programme they are already in, which means that if they enrol in further education (MBO or higher education) BEFORE their 18th birthday, they will be allowed to graduate. Undocumented individuals over the age of 18 who are in a procedure (e.g. an asylum procedure or a procedure under article 8 of the ECHR) do have the right to enrol in further education.

Opportunities for work placement

Undocumented students in the pre-vocational learning pathway of upper secondary vocational education (MBO BOL) are permitted to do an unpaid work placement. Employers may offer them a work placement via an exception rule. To apply for the exception rule, the student must have begun the study programme before their 18th birthday.

City of Amsterdam work placement office

Undocumented students in the pre-vocational learning pathway of upper secondary vocational education (MBO BOL) may apply to the work placement office of the City of Amsterdam for a work placement. An alternative integrity statement is available for undocumented MBO students (see website).

Medical care

Undocumented people are entitled to all the care covered by basic health insurance, even after their 18th birthday. Costs for care are reimbursed by the <u>Central Administration Office (CAK)</u>:

- GP (family doctor)
- Dental care for minors under 18
- Medication (have your GP write on the prescription that you are undocumented)
- Physiotherapy: 9 sessions a year for minors under 18, limited for others
- Speech therapy: with referral letter from GP
- Occupational therapy: 10 sessions a year with referral letter from GP
- Medical examinations/treatment in hospital: with referral letter from GP
- Mental healthcare: with referral letter from GP
- Maternity and postnatal care
- Addiction care
- Aids/appliances: with referral letter from GP

Important: your GP may only refer you to contracted organisations. For emergency care, you can go to any hospital.

Kruispost Oudezijds Voorburgwal

GP care and emergency dental care (pain relief) — no appointment needed: Oudezijds Voorburgwal 129. T: 020 624 9031, E: <u>kruispost@oudezijds100.nl</u>. Monday to Friday 10.00 to 12.00 and 19.00 to 21.00. Costs: €5 if you can afford to pay, free if you cannot.

Dokters van de wereld

Liaise with medical experts and offer limited medical treatment and dental care: Nieuwe Herengracht 20, T: 020 465 2866. Monday to Thursday 9:00 to 17:30 For medical questions, T: 020 765 538 01 or E: <u>zorgrecht@doktersvandewereld.org</u> For dental questions, E: mondzorg@doktersvandewereldorg Visit the website for the walk-in clinic hours for medical care

Centrale Huisartsenpost (out-of-hours surgery) Amsterdam

For medical emergencies in the evenings or during weekends: T: 088 003 0600. Monday to Friday 17.00 to 8.00 and during weekends.

Amsterdam Public Health Service (GGD), STI outpatient clinic and Sense

Additional healthcare Weesperplein 1 T: 020 555 5822. Monday to Friday 8.30 to 10.00 and 13.30 to 16.30.

Dental care

Undocumented minors are entitled to dental care until their 18th birthday.

Youth health care and vaccinations

Children up to 18 years old are entitled to free vaccinations from the GGD against infectious diseases. This vaccination schedule is set down nationwide in the <u>National Immunisation</u> <u>Programme</u>. Undocumented people over the age of 18 must pay for this themselves. For more information, please call: T 020 555 5961.

LGBTIQA+

Veilige Haven Amsterdam

Veilige Haven offers support to multicultural young people, men and women in Amsterdam and the surrounding area. They also offer support to LGBTIQA+ refugees. T: 020 557 3329, E: <u>veiligehaven@centram.nl</u>

Library

Undocumented children under the age of 26 are entitled to free membership of the Amsterdam Public Library (OBA). This enables them to borrow books, magazines, films and music. To join visit <u>the website</u>.