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Travel Consultation Visits

Going on an exotic foreign vacation? Traveling internationally for work? In both instances, your travel could put you at risk for infectious diseases you wouldn't be exposed to at home.

The good news: we have vaccines to prevent many of these diseases so your travel can be safer. The bad news: these vaccines can sometimes be expensive, and your health insurance may not cover them. Most vaccines recommended for foreign travel aren't on the list of adult vaccines considered routine by the ACIP (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices), so your health plan doesn't have to pay for most travel vaccines.

Here at Barton Family Medicine we have you come in for a travel consult and we ask you to bring your itinerary to the visit so a health care provider can go over all of the details of your travel. We will explain what vaccines you will need based on your trip itinerary, as well as those that might be optional, based on your personal risk tolerance. When you come in for your travel consult we do not bill your insurance. Payment is due at the time of service. If you would like to see if your insurance will pay for this visit you can submit the bill and the office notes to your insurance company yourself after the date of service for possible reimbursement.

We recommend scheduling your appointment at least 4-6 weeks prior to your travels. This will provide enough time for your immunizations to take effect and to fill prescriptions. We will try to accommodate last minute travelers as best as we can.