

CLAIMS UNDER US AND CANADIAN LAW



Membership is available in a number of countries around the world, provided that the member possesses a qualification that is registrable with, or otherwise recognised by, the relevant regulatory/registration body of the country in which they practise. There are, however, two notable exceptions – the USA and Canada – where, owing to the very high cost of litigation and the level of awards, those MPS membership benefits that involve indemnity are not available. No indemnity is provided in respect of legal proceedings commenced in the USA or Canada, or in respect of any claim anywhere in the world, arising from proceedings in the USA or Canada.

Medical tourism

A different complication arises when treating patients who are visiting a country (so-called 'medical tourism'), solely or primarily to receive care perhaps at a lower cost than would apply in their country of residence. This is because the patient may have a right to bring legal action against you in a jurisdiction where much higher awards and legal costs arise. In these situations a higher subscription and/or limits on the levels or provision of indemnity might apply. Contact Member Operations or your local Scheme Administrator for further details.