

Health Services for Students

Note Bene: Due to the fluid nature of government regulations and other factors, students must inquire as to their coverage with respect to fees and insurance. All medical students are covered by Workers Compensation Insurance through the State Accident Fund for any injuries sustained by students during the course of those clinical activities that are a part of their medical educations.

- I. University of South Carolina (USC) Student Health Services
University of South Carolina (USC) Student Health Services offers comprehensive primary care and preventive health services for all University students enrolled at the main and USC SOM campuses. Health care is handled in a privileged and confidential manner. Medical information is released only upon the request of the student or as required by law. USC Student Health Services is interested in the health and well-being of each student and encourages all students to utilize the professional health care resources available to them.
 - A. Thomson Student Health Center (TSHC). TSHC is located on the main University Campus, directly behind the Russell House. One of 115 nationally accredited student health centers, TSHC provides primary care medical services for all enrolled students. The permanent medical staff includes seven board-certified physicians and five certified nurse practitioners. Clinical services include General Medicine, Women's Care, and Psychiatry. Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine clinics are also provided weekly by consultant staff physicians during the fall and spring semesters. TSHC offers on-site lab, x-ray, physical therapy, allergy/immunizations, travel consults and prescription refills. Students can request prescription refills on line at <https://myrxspace.ushs.sc.edu/> or by calling the automated refill number at 803- 777-4890.
 - B. During the fall and spring semesters, the operating hours for the TSHC are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Sundays (urgent conditions only). Operating hours during the summer months and University breaks are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. TSHC is closed on University holidays. Appointments are available and required for patients who do not need immediate care. Students who are acutely ill or injured may report directly to the TSHC for evaluation. Metered parking is available in the new parking garage situated directly behind TSHC. For urgent conditions that arise when TSHC is closed, treatment may be sought at Palmetto Health Richland or other providers of the student's choice. (students can easily make or cancel appointments on line at <http://www.sa.sc.edu/shs/online.shtml>) Please call 803-777-3175 for General Medicine appointments, 803-777-6816 for Women's Care appointments, and 803- 777-3174 for general information.
 - C. Students who have paid the University activity fee are seen by USC Student Health Services providers at no charge. In addition, they are covered by a group insurance plan which will reimburse them up to \$500.00 for out-of-pocket costs for emergency medical treatment outside the student health center. Students who have not paid the University activity fee are charged for each visit. All students are charged for laboratory, x-ray, physical therapy, and pharmacy services on a fee-for-service basis. Students are also responsible for payment of all charges by community providers, including hospitalization.
 - D. Health and Wellness Programs/Open Door. A wide variety of services and special programming is available to all University students through the Health and Wellness Office. Most services are provided at no cost to students. The office is staffed by four permanent health educators and supported by a number of graduate assistants and student peer educators. The Open Door Drop-In Center, located on the first floor of TSHC, is open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. Students may drop in without an appointment for one-on-one consultation or to pick up materials on health concerns (e.g., weight control, exercise, nutrition, eating disorders, stress

management, and smoking cessation). For information on available health and wellness programs and services or for an appointment, please call 777-8248.

- E. The Sexual Assault and Violence Intervention and Prevention (SAVIP) office provides services, support and advocacy for sexual assault, relationship violence and hate crimes. 24-hour crisis assistance is available through the USC Police Department at (803) 777-4215. The dispatcher will refer you to a Sexual Health & Violence Prevention on-call advocate.
- F. Counseling and Human Development Center (CHDC). A wide range of mental health services, including short-term counseling, psychotherapy, testing, and social work services, is available through CHDC. Staffed by seven psychologists, 3 doctorate interns, one post-doctorate intern, two psychiatrists, and 2 clinical social workers. CHDC is located in the Byrnes Building 7th floor on Sumter Street across from the Horseshoe. All students who have paid the University activity fee are seen at no charge for up to 12 visits. Those who have not paid the University activity fee or have greater than 12 visits are must pay a fee-for-service for counseling, testing, or treatment. CHDC is nationally accredited by the International Association of Counseling Services. For information concerning CHDC services or for an appointment, please call 803-777-5223.

II. Florence

McLeod Urgent Care, 3015 West Palmetto Street, will provide health care during their hours of operation:

Open seven days a week

Monday-Friday 8:00am-8:00pm

Saturday & Sunday 9:00am-4:00pm

Students needing health care at other times should report to the McLeod Emergency Department, 555 East Cheves Street.

Counseling services are available at The Counseling Center at Francis Marion University, 301 North, East Palmetto Street.

Pharmacy services are available at McLeod Choice Pharmacy located on the west side of the Concourse adjacent to the McLeod Center for Cancer Treatment, front of hospital Main Tower.

Hours: Monday-Friday 7:00am-8:00pm

Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm

McLeod Health & Fitness, 2437 Willwood Drive, is available to students rotating in Florence. You must present your student ID upon arrival.