

Our Services



UHS offers high-quality medical and mental health care, in addition to wellness services to all current UW–Madison students. Most services are available at no charge because students pay for UHS services with their tuition and fees. A fee is charged for some extra services and all medications. Most fee-based services at UHS are covered at no cost for members of the UW–Madison Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP).

Our medical services include a primary care clinic and specialty clinics for immunizations, women’s health, travel, and sexual health. For students with complex or unstable conditions requiring other types of specialty care, UHS can refer to providers off campus utilizing personal insurance.

Mental health services include individual, couple/partner, and group counseling, crisis counseling, and psychiatric services. Students with mental health concerns that go beyond the scope of care available at UHS can work with Care Managers to obtain referrals to mental health providers off campus.

Medical and Mental Health do not provide appointments during evening, night, or weekend hours; emergency room care; ambulance services; hospitalization; or home care. We have an after-hours nurse line (608-265-5600, option 1) and a 24-hour mental health crisis line (608-265-5600, option 9) available to students at no cost.

CARE FOR ILLNESSES

- 24-hour nurse advice line (608-265-5600, option 1)
- Evaluation and treatment of acute and chronic illnesses
- Referral for specialty care (with personal insurance)
- Basic radiology tests (X-rays) when ordered by a UHS provider
- Laboratory testing when ordered by a UHS provider
- Monitoring and management, including diagnostic tests, for stable chronic health conditions such as high blood pressure or diabetes.

CARE FOR INJURIES

- Uncomplicated cuts needing stitches
- X-rays for the evaluation of possible fractures
- Sale of crutches, splints, or other orthopedic durable medical supplies
- Physical therapy (fee charged) and athletic training services

WOMEN'S HEALTH CARE

- Problem-focused and preventive care supporting reproductive health and wellness.
- Screening tests, exams, and procedures that provide comprehensive contraceptive options, care for abnormal bleeding, pelvic pain and pregnancy or STI concerns.

IMMUNIZATIONS, ALLERGIES, OTHER SPECIALTY CARE

- No-cost annual influenza vaccines
- Immunizations including hepatitis A and B, HPV, Tdap, varicella, rabies, meningococcal, MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) and travel immunizations (fee charged)
- International pre-travel consults regarding health requirements and recommendations for international travel
- Allergy desensitization injections (the desensitizing solution must be prescribed and provided by an outside physician/allergist)

PREVENTIVE CARE

- Physical examinations
- STI screening, cholesterol screening, and flu shots
- Physical exams required for employment or travel, or required by other third parties (fee charged)
- Occupational health services such as respiratory fit testing, TB screening, and occupational medicine consultation

PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHIATRIC CARE

- 24-hour crisis intervention available (608-265-5600, option 9)
- Brief individual and couple/partner counseling
- Group counseling
- Assessment for substance abuse and disordered eating
- Screenings for attention disorders
- Gender identity consultations
- Psychiatric consultation and medication management
- Care management and referral
- Self-help online mental health support

WELLNESS SERVICES

- Stress management
- Yoga and Yoga for Every Body (BMI >30)
- Acupuncture (fee charged)
- Sleep management
- Meditation
- Nutrition
- Smoking cessation
- Massage therapy (fee charged)

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WHO CAN USE UHS?

Any undergraduate, graduate, or professional student enrolled for the current semester may make appointments at UHS and use any service. Students entering UW–Madison in the fall semester will be eligible to receive care at UHS on August 15.

HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION

Enrolled UW-Madison students may use UHS regardless of their health insurance coverage. UHS does not bill insurance, and it is considered “out of network” for almost all plans.

Access to UHS is not a substitute for having comprehensive health insurance coverage. Students should review health insurance plans before classes begin to see if they are covered in Madison. Many plans cover emergency care but not routine, urgent, or specialty care when students are away from home. UHS sees students who have to interrupt their studies and travel home for care they could have received in Madison had their policy permitted.

If you don't have health insurance, SHIP may be your best option. SHIP is administered by UHS and is designed specifically to meet the needs of students. In addition to the primary and preventive care at UHS, SHIP members are protected by a nationwide network of hospitals, clinics, and specialized medical services. Since SHIP is not motivated by profit, it also provides good value, with rich benefits and comparatively low member out-of-pocket expenses. Visit uhs.wisc.edu/ship or call 608-265-5232 for more information.

IMMUNIZATIONS AND MEDICAL RECORDS FOR INCOMING STUDENTS

UHS strongly recommends that all students be up-to-date on immunizations before coming to campus. Complete your immunization and health history forms in MyUHS (do not mail us any documents; we only collect this information through MyUHS).

MYUHS

MyUHS (myuhs.wisc.edu) is a secure online patient portal. Before the semester begins, use MyUHS to complete immunization and health history forms. After the semester begins, students will be eligible to make appointments online, view scheduled appointments, exchange secure messages with providers, view lab and radiology results, and request health records.

UHS AND UW HEALTH

UHS is not part of UW Health, nor does UHS have any special referral relationship with UW Hospital and Clinics. Students who are referred or transported to any hospital from our clinic, including UW Hospital, are responsible for any emergency room or hospitalization charges.

WHAT IF I DON'T WANT TO GO TO UHS?

There is no requirement to use UHS. Students may seek health care from the provider who is best for them and their family. Every year, about 50 percent of students visit UHS at least once; nine out of 10 students come to us at some point during their college career, and all students participate in our online prevention programs.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMPUS

- Health insurance card (and prescription medication card, if separate)
- Names and phone numbers of home primary care and specialty care providers
- Prescription medicines and refill information
- Thermometer
- Pain reliever (ibuprofen and/or naproxen)
- Fever reducer (acetaminophen)
- Throat lozenges
- Antihistamine
- Alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Basic first-aid supplies: Band-Aids, antibacterial ointment, hydrocortisone cream

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