Health Information for New Health Science Students

Whether you are a seasoned Iowa student just embarking on your health science program, or a new student to the UI, we want to welcome you and provide some information to you regarding our clinic, immunizations and other requirements.

Student Health & Wellness (SHW) is a full service campus health clinic that provides primary medical care, acute illness and chronic disease management, women’s health and mental health services, as well as wellness, sexual health, nutrition, travel, allergy injections and immunizations. We are an appointment based clinic, and we are located on the west side of campus, in the Westlawn Building. Students who register for five or more semester hours of credit are automatically assessed a Student Health & Wellness health fee in their tuition cost, which entitles them to many services at no cost. Any charges that are incurred for immunizations, lab tests, or other exams can be submitted directly to your insurance, or charges can be paid by cash or u-bill.

We pride ourselves in being experts in college health, and we hope you take advantage of our services while you are here at Iowa! We understand the importance of our work to YOUR success- keeping you healthy and providing education and resources for you to incorporate healthy habits into your future.

An important action for you to take is to review your health history and make sure you have received the required and recommended vaccinations and tests before you start your program. **All UI students are required to submit proof of (2) Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) vaccinations. In addition, health science students are required to receive other vaccinations and tests before starting their programs.** Please see “Requirements for Health Science Students” on our Requirements & Forms page on our website.

Submit the records by email before the start of classes to: immunizations@healthcare.uiowa.edu

You will not be allowed to register for subsequent semesters if we do not have your MMR and other documentation. Your health science program may restrict you from patient care if you are not compliant with all requirements. You will be able to see on ISIS what we have on file for you at SHW.

There are vaccines that are recommended for all college students, including Human Papilloma Virus (HPV), Meningitis (MCV4), and Hepatitis A, in addition to an annual Influenza vaccine. All required and recommended vaccines and tests are available at SHW for a fee. We appreciate
getting your full immunization record of all childhood vaccinations, so that we can enter them in your electronic medical record. This will also give you access to your immunization records through MyChart in the future, when you need them for academic programs, rotations, employment, or foreign travel. We will gladly accept documents from your health department or medical records, or you can fill out the “Health Science Student Requirements Form”, which is in the documents list on the Requirements & Forms page on our website. Please make sure your name and student ID is on each page of the documents you send us.

If you have any questions about immunizations or your records, feel free to email us at immunizations@healthcare.uiowa.edu.

We look forward to working with you during your time at Iowa and we encourage you to let us know how we can help.

Good luck to you as you start your health science program!

Sincerely,

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