

FAQ about Health and Counseling Services

1. I don't have my immunization record anymore and now I have an immunization hold on my account preventing me from registering or accessing my grades. What do I do?
 - a. If you are having difficulty obtaining your immunization records, please contact Health Services ASAP. Some information might be available through the South Carolina Immunization Registry. We also offer all of the required immunizations, including lab work to check immunity, called titers. Students must have documented compliance with Winthrop's immunization requirements to use Health Services, Counseling Services, register for classes, and view grades. Health Services staff are more than happy to assist you with your compliance needs. Please visit our website for the immunization form and instructions <http://www.winthrop.edu/hcs/default.aspx?id=22982>. Health Services charges a non-refundable \$50 fee the first day of classes for any student who has not fulfilled the immunization requirement.
2. I work full-time so I can't access HCS during their hours of operation. Why should I have to pay the semester fee?
 - a. HCS operates on an auxiliary budget meaning student fees solely support the offices without other funding from the university. We do not charge office visit fees and have very low charges for services that do incur cost (lab work, immunizations, etc.). As full-time employees, we too have to take time off work for doctor appointments. Health Services offers the convenience of walk-in visits and telephone triage to determine if your symptoms necessitate coming to the clinic. We strive to be a convenient support for your health and wellness needs to enhance your academic performance.
 - b. Even if you choose not to access Health Services, you might benefit from the other assistance we provide at no additional cost such as counseling, wellness programming, victims assistance, and accessibility accommodations for disabilities. These services do require appointments. Please call (803) 323-2206 or visit our website <http://www.winthrop.edu/hcs/> for more information about our services.
3. I have private insurance and don't plan to use Health Services. Why should I have to pay the semester fee?
 - a. We do not charge an office visit fee like community providers. Often, students' appointments do not incur charges so there is no out of pocket expense. If you do receive a service that has a charge (which is applied to your student account), we provide a receipt that you could submit to your insurance for possible reimbursement. Health Services does submit claims for students enrolled in Winthrop's Student Health Insurance Plan that views Health Services as the student's primary care provider.
4. I need health insurance. How do I access the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)?
 - a. Academic Health Plans (AHP) administers the SHIP for Winthrop on behalf of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of South Carolina. For basic information, visit <https://www.winthrop.edu/hcs/> on our website for current benefits flyers and <https://winthrop.myahpcare.com> to review AHP's current policy and enrollment criteria for Winthrop University.
5. I live off campus. Am I still able to use HCS?

Yes. Regardless of where a student lives, they are still eligible to utilize Health Services and Counseling Services as long as they are enrolled in the current semester, have met the immunization requirements, and paid the semester fee. The fee is automatically assessed to undergraduates enrolled in 6 credits or more and graduate students enrolled in 9 credits or more. Students enrolled in fewer credits can opt to pay the semester fee to be able to utilize Health Services and Counseling Services.
6. I have a hold on my account for not completing *Not Anymore*. What do I do?
 - a. *Not Anymore* is an online interpersonal violence prevention suite from Student Success™. These video-based programs will provide critical information about Consent, Bystander Intervention, Sexual Assault, Dating and Intimate Partner Violence, Stalking, Drugs and Alcohol, and much more. This is a **MANDATORY** educational program for all incoming students to fulfill compliance with the Campus SaVE Act and to educate our students about healthy relationships. Once the program has been completed the hold will be removed. Contact Jackie Concodora concodoraj@winthrop.edu with questions.