



The Nursing Staff Offers Many Services

Your Health Center nursing staff includes registered nurse practitioners (RNP), registered nurses, licensed practical nurses and nurses aides.

Our RNP work from 8:00 to 4:30, Monday through Friday and see students on an appointment basis, as well as drop-ins if time is available. One of the RNP's works full time in the Womens' Clinic of the Health Center. The RNP's see students for primary care which includes acute and chronic illnesses, as well as minor injuries. Gynecological problems including all types of vaginal infections, pap smears, birth control counseling, pregnancy counseling can also be taken care of by RNP's. The RNP's are licensed to prescribe medications from an approved formulary. These women work closely with the Health Center physicians who help and advise.

The nurses work in all areas of the health center. A RN at the front desk is responsible for triaging, telephone counseling, and scheduling of appointments. Her knowledge, experience, and expertise play an important role in assuring optimum care of the student.

RNs and LPNs and aides work in medical areas assisting physicians and providing general nursing care. Medical charts are processed, preliminary tests such as blood pressure, certain lab tests are ordered, wound care is done. Allergy skin testing, ear irrigations, electrocardiograms, and referrals to outside physicians are done by nurses in the areas. The nurses provide health instruction while caring for the student.

Area C is often referred to as the "Nurses Treatment" area. Here, nurses triage colds, sore throats, coughs, fevers are screened, treated if appropriate, and throat cultures are done. Minor illnesses are treated, or the student may be given an appointment with a physician if needed. All allergy injections are given in this area.

The urgent care clinic, where students may be seen after the regular clinic is closed, for illnesses and injuries of an acute nature, is staffed by a physician, nurse and aide.

The entire nursing staff are student advocates, and it is their policy, as it is of all who work at the Health Center, to serve the student to the best of their ability.

Student Health Insurance

Associated Students University of Oregon Student Health Insurance is offered through Lance C. Bloom, Metzker & Associates of Eugene, 870 East 13th Avenue, Eugene, OR. If you have any questions regarding this type of policy and what it covers, please call Metzker and Associates at 342-4868.

You do not have to have the student insurance program, or any insurance, to use the services offered by the Health Center.

You've Decided To See A Doctor—Now What?



When you've reached the decision to consult with a doctor the first place to contact is the front desk of the Student Health Center. Since the doctors see patients by appointment, it is best to call early in the day to schedule an appointment (686-4441). By explaining your symptoms to the receptionist, she can be sure to allow enough time for your specific problem. A nurse is available at the front desk to help answer medical questions.

Emergencies such as lacerations, immediate injuries, and severe illness are always seen as soon as possible. Appointments are made for recurring illnesses, infections, prescriptions, and those conditions requiring lab work and/or x-ray. Reschedule your return visits before leaving. Insurance forms are available at the front desk to bill your charges to your insurance company. If you need a copy of your medical records transferred to another doctor be sure to allow enough time.

Since the Student Health Center is only able to see currently registered students, be sure to bring your ID and fee card to verify your registration.

And finally - if you're unable to keep your appointment please call and let the front desk know so that someone else can have your appointment time.