1. Policy

It is the policy of OHSU that eligible students have access to comprehensive health services. These services include a variety of primary care, counseling and psychological services and programs to promote well-being and facilitate adjustment to the physical and emotional demands of the health professions and science education.

2. Definitions of Eligibility

A. Students Eligible to Receive Health Services: Individuals registered and enrolled in an OHSU academic course who are charged the OHSU University Fee or OHSU regional campus health service fees in accordance with the OHSU Academic Year Tuition & Fee Book; or individuals who are formally admitted, registered and enrolled in a joint OHSU/partner institution academic degree or certificate program who are eligible for health services as dictated in the partnership agreement.

B. Students Eligible for the OHSU Sponsored Health Insurance Plan: Individuals registered and enrolled in an OHSU academic course who are charged the OHSU sponsored student health insurance fees in accordance with the OHSU Academic Year Tuition & Fee Book; or individuals who are formally admitted, registered and enrolled in a joint OHSU/partner institution academic degree or certificate program who are charged the OSHU sponsored health insurance plan as dictated in the partnership agreement.

3. Student Health Services

Students eligible to receive health services who are registered and enrolled in courses offered online, on the Portland campus or through an OHSU/partner institution agreement have access to health services provided by the Joseph B. Trainer (JBT) Health & Wellness Center. Students eligible to receive health services who are registered and enrolled in an OHSU program hosted on an OHSU regional campus, have access to health services at that regional campus. Students that cannot access health services provided by the JBT Health & Wellness Center or provided by an OHSU regional campus may access healthcare facilities in their community through the use of their health insurance.

The JBT Health & Wellness Center is governed by HIPAA and FERPA regulations and is required by federal law to maintain the privacy of protected health information. Patients shall be provided appropriate privacy regarding confidential information about health evaluations or treatments, including protection from access by faculty and staff who are
not providing direct care. OHSU maintains student records, including health, academic, educational and job placement records, in accordance with legal requirements for security, privacy, confidentiality, and accessibility.

4. Requirements

A. Immunizations

OHSU follows the guidelines for required immunizations issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and by the State of Oregon. Students must comply with pre-entrance immunization requirements and remain in compliance for the duration of their enrollment at OHSU, as specified by the JBT Health & Wellness Center.

Failure to provide proof of immunization within 30 days of matriculation will result in a student being restricted from attending courses in the current term and prevent the student from registering for courses in subsequent terms.

Students in clinical training settings within the state of Oregon must be compliant with the standardized administrative requirements outlined in OAR 409-030-0100 to 409-030-0250.

B. Health Insurance

As a condition of participation, all registered and enrolled students are required to have health insurance coverage in effect at all times.

1. Students eligible for the OHSU sponsored health insurance plan who have a comparable health insurance plan that meets all of the OHSU waiver requirements may apply for a waiver from the OHSU sponsored student health insurance plan.

2. Students that have requested a waiver for the OHSU sponsored health insurance plan and subsequently experience a lapse in health insurance coverage will be automatically enrolled in the OHSU sponsored health insurance plan, consistent with the practices outlined in the Uninsured Student Procedure.

5. Responsibilities

The Director of the JBT Health & Wellness Center holds primary responsibility for supplying information about where and how to access health services; ensuring compliance with the policy provisions; and executing this policy.

6. Procedures

JBT Health & Wellness Center will establish procedures pursuant to this policy.
Additional information about JBT services, benefits of the OHSU-sponsored health insurance plan and how to apply for an insurance waiver are available on the JBT Health & Wellness Center website (www.ohsu.edu/jbt-health).

Related Policies and Procedures:
Policy 02-90-020, Non-Immigrant Foreign Students Health Insurance Requirements
Policy 02-20-025, Student Records – Confidential Records; Restrictions on Release
Policy 02-70-030, Voluntary Leave of Absence and Withdrawal Procedure, Uninsured Student

Related Regulations:
OAR 409-030-0100 to 409-030-0250, Administrative Requirements for Health Profession Student Clinical Training

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