

University of Louisiana System

Title: HEALTH SERVICES

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Policy and Procedures Memorandum

At a minimum, the following standards shall be practiced consistently among System institutions.

1. Each university shall provide its students access to health services and optional insurance programs.
 - Mandatory or optional supplemental insurance shall be available to all students, including those participating in intercollegiate athletic programs, and international students. This coverage may be made available to spouses and children of students.
2. Universities must provide either on-site medical care or off-site medical care with area health care providers, or both.
3. Universities entering into a contract to provide on- or off-site services, shall ensure the following are adhered to:

On-site Medical Care

- Physician(s) hold(s) the MD degree
- Physician(s) hold(s) a current/valid license to practice in Louisiana
- Physician(s) has staff(s) privileges at an accredited hospital
- Physician(s) hold(s) appropriate specialty Board Certification
- Physician(s) and medical staff(s) are currently licensed and certified to practice in Louisiana, and they maintain professional liability/malpractice insurance coverage

- Campus facility shall:
 - include, at a minimum, registered nurse(s)
 - provide services such as minor assessment and treatment, preventive care, educational programs, consultation
 - include immunizations/vaccinations by physician's orders when possible
 - provide services Monday through Friday

Area Health Care Provider/Facility

- Provider has insurance/liability coverage for actions or alleged actions
 - Health care facility meets current local, state, and federal guidelines
 - Health care facility meets all health and sanitation code requirements
 - Provider is a member of the state medical coverage pool
 - Physician(s) and medical staff are currently licensed and certified to practice in Louisiana, and they maintain professional liability/malpractice insurance coverage
4. Universities must require that the health care facility or providers of health care (a) meet all local, state, and federal standards, and (b) obtain all necessary licenses and permits.
- Maintain in good standing all licenses and permits
5. Universities contracting for health care services or offering mandatory or optional supplemental health insurance coverage shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and Local laws, rules and regulations, Board Rules and Regulations, and Ethics provisions. Specifically, each university shall comply with and adhere to the Louisiana State Procurement Code's statutory and administrative mandates in solicitation of, awarding to, or contracting with providers.

It is suggested that universities contracting for health care services, or offering mandatory or optional supplemental health insurance coverage, use competitive processes. The intent behind this requirement is to ensure students, faculty, and staff are provided the most cost-effective and high-quality health care services available. Universities should not select providers or insurers in an arbitrary fashion or without an open selection process that encourages competition.

Policy References:

Louisiana Revised Statutes
University of Louisiana System's University Catalogs

Review Process:

Chief Officers for Student Affairs
Student Advisory Council
Legal Counsel

Distribution:

University Presidents