

# Chapter 5 - Student Services

## AP 5200 Student Health Services

### References:

Education Code Sections 48800, 76355 and 76401

### Scope of Services

Operations are guided by a Health Services Plan developed and approved in consultation with a physician to comply with regulations as specified in the California Code of Law.

### Clinical Services

1. The focus of clinical services is to provide short-term basic care and services necessary for the treatment of acute illnesses and injuries.
2. Mental health services include crisis management and short-term personal counseling.
3. Conditions requiring long-term management, such as alcohol abuse, substance abuse, eating disorders and chronic mental illnesses are evaluated and referred for further care by private practitioners or community services.
4. Management of crisis situations, such as suicidal or homicidal individuals, includes an assessment by a mental health practitioner or a registered nurse in consultation with a mental health practitioner as needed.
5. Any information of a personal nature disclosed by a student, or parent or guardian of a patient, 12 years of age or older in the process of receiving care from a health professional is confidential with exceptions as dictated by law.

### Support Services

1. Office procedures and medical records are managed by clerical personnel.
2. Laboratory services are provided by a licensed, contracted laboratory.
3. Pharmaceuticals are provided internally on a limited basis. Prescriptions are provided for what is not available internally.
4. Referrals are provided for radiology, dental, optometric, and other services not available internally.
5. Health education services are provided by registered nurses and health education personnel.

## Health Fees

Health fees are expended solely for the purpose of supporting health services for the general student body. Fees for specific services and products shall be \$5.00 over actual costs to offset general expenses related to the collection of specimens, miscellaneous medical supplies, etc.

Health fees shall not be expended for:

1. salaries of personnel not directly involved in the delivery of health services, for administrative salaries of assistant and Dean level personnel and above, or for athletic trainers;
2. costs related to athletics including insurance, ambulance costs for events, medical supplies, or physical examinations; and
3. services provided to a select group of students, faculty, or staff.

The following students shall be exempt from paying the health fee (specific waiver instructions are published in the College Catalog and Schedule of Classes):

1. those who depend exclusively upon prayer for healing in accordance with the teachings of a bona fide religious sect, denomination, or organization. The student shall provide written verification of being an active member of such organization;
2. those who are part of a Board-approved apprenticeship training program; and
3. those who are K-12 Special Admission students.

All requests or waivers will be processed in the Cashier's Office, with a copy forwarded to the Student Health Center. Applications for the waiver must be submitted before the end of the second week of each semester.

## Personnel

- Supervision is provided by a registered nurse who possesses a valid, current California license to practice as a registered nurse and either a Bachelor's degree in nursing, a California Public Health Nurse certificate and a Master's degree in health education, sociology, psychology, counseling, health care administration, public health or community health; or a Master's degree in nursing and a California Public Health Nurse certificate.
- Clinical services including nursing, medical, and mental health services are provided by licensed health professionals.

## Medical Records

- Medical treatment records shall be afforded protected status. Records are not released without the written consent of the patient with exceptions as prescribed by law.

- Information concerning a patient shall be furnished in compliance with a court order or a lawfully issued subpoena. A reasonable effort shall be made to notify the patient in advance of compliance with a lawfully issued subpoena.
- Medical treatment records shall be stored in compliance with State and federal guidelines.

### Physical Examinations in Health Center

Student Health Services provides physicals required for entrance into the Mt. SAC Programs.

Students will pay a fee for the complete cost of the physical examination, including laboratory work.

The Mt. San Antonio College Catalog contains the most recent information regarding Student Health Services. This document is updated annually for currency and correctness.

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