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Student Health

The Student Health Center at each college is funded by the Student Health Fee (Education Code Section 76355) and shall be available upon request to students who are registered in the current term at the time of service and have paid the term health fee.

The District is committed to providing diligent care to the health, safety, and physical development of students enrolled in the public colleges under its jurisdiction. The Chancellor or designee shall establish such regulations as shall be necessary for the administration of a college health program.

Each campus shall collect a mandatory fee for these services to all full-time and part-time students pursuant to Education Code Section 76355 and Title 5, Section 54702, which define the services, fee procedures, and specific allowable fee expenditures.

Except in cases where it is allowable under the law, health services will not be provided to minors under the age of eighteen (18), unless the student has a consent form signed by his or her parent or guardian.

Exempted from the payment of these fees are: (a) students who depend exclusively on prayer for healing in accordance with the teaching of a bona fide religious sect, (b) students who are attending classes under an approved apprenticeship training program, (c) students enrolled exclusively in noncredit courses, (d) students enrolled in District colleges exclusively at sites where student health services are not provided, (e) students who are enrolled in District colleges exclusively through contract education, (f) students admitted as Special Part-time Students (K-12) or Special Summer School Students.

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Students exempted under the provisions of (b), (c), or (g) above are eligible to receive the services of the college health program; all other exempted students are not eligible to receive the services of the college health program, unless they opt to pay the fee.

Title 5 Section 54702 establishes the types of health services the District may offer and specifies types of expenses for which the health services fee may be used.

Clinical Care Services

- a) Assessment of medical histories and clinical data by a qualified health professional to arrive at nursing diagnoses, interventions and referrals when appropriate
- b) Development of plans of treatment including patient education
- c) Referral to other health services for evaluation and further treatment when a medical condition is beyond the scope of the college's authorized treatment program
- d) First aid and basic emergency care following a medical incident that requires immediate intervention
- e) Appraisal of health status and, if necessary, development of plans to increase fitness and health (This process may include weight, nutritional status, blood pressure, and fitness status.)
- f) Investigation and control of communicable diseases through screening, immunizations and case management (The college nurses will investigate cases of communicable disease in coordination with local Public Health Department)

Mental Health Services

- a) Crisis management through immediate response to mental health emergencies
- b) Short-term psychological counseling and referral to other agencies for longer term care
- c) Alcohol/drug use assessment and referral to agencies and medical providers
- d) Awareness programs for conditions such as eating disorders and suicide and referral to agencies and medical providers
- e) Stress management through workshops, presentations, or individual and group counseling
- f) Suicide prevention through crisis counseling referral and awareness programs
- g) Sexual harassment/assault recovery counseling through assessment, counseling, and referral

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Health Education

- a) Classroom presentations
- b) Health-related publications
- c) Wellness workshops/and other presentations
- d) Training in environmental health and safety, including illness and injury prevention programs in cooperation with the Safety Committee

Student Accident Insurance

- a) A student accident insurance program
- b) Processing of student insurance claims and maintenance of claim records

Consultants

Consultants are hired to perform activities as needed. This may include consultants to assist with wellness programs and physician services.

Physical Examinations of Students

If physical examinations are required, the College President will be responsible for providing for required physical examinations of students. Such examinations shall be conducted to ensure adequate privacy and physical comfort of the students and proper confidentiality in connection with any defect or ailment noted.

Exemption from Emergency Medical Treatment for a Minor

A minor may be exempt from emergency medical treatment upon the filing by the parent or guardian of a signed statement, annually, stating that such parent or guardian does not consent to such emergency medical treatment. The student may, however, be excluded from school attendance whenever there is a good reason to believe that such student is suffering from a recognized contagious or infectious disease, and may not be permitted to return to school until such disease has ceased to exist.

First Aid

Basic first-aid and emergency-care shall be provided for sickness and occurring on school premises or while students and employees are engaged in school activities.

Legal Education Code sections 76355, 76401

Cross References BP/AP 5030 Fees

BP 5200 Student Health Services
BP 5205 Student Accident Insurance
BP/AP 5210 Communicable Disease