

Center for Student Wellness FAQ

1. I don't have my immunization record anymore and now I have an immunization hold on my account preventing me from registering or accessing my grades. What do I do?
 - a. If you are having difficulty obtaining your immunization records, please contact Health Services ASAP. If you received your vaccines in South Carolina, they may automatically populate in our electronic health record that interfaces with the SC immunization registry. Students who received required vaccines outside of South Carolina can follow instructions on the Immunization tab in the [patient portal](#) to register and request records from the multi-state registry. Health Services offers the required immunizations, including lab work to check immunity, called titers. Students must have documented compliance with Winthrop's immunization requirements to use Health Services, Counseling Services, register for classes, and view grades. Health Services staff are more than happy to assist you with your compliance needs. Please visit our website for instructions <https://www.winthrop.edu/csw/immunization-requirements.aspx>. Immunization compliance must be completed in the [patient portal](#). Health Services charges a non-refundable \$100 fee the first day of classes for any student who has not fulfilled the immunization requirement.
3. I work full time so I can't access CSW during business hours. Why should I have to pay the semester fee?
 - a. CSW operates on an auxiliary budget, meaning student fees solely support the offices without other funding from the university. We do not charge office visit fees and have very low charges for services that do incur cost (lab work, immunizations, etc.). As full-time employees, we too must take time off work for doctor appointments. Health Services offers the convenience of walk-in visits and telephone triage to determine if your symptoms necessitate coming to the clinic, in addition to tele-health visits for certain conditions. We strive to provide convenient support for your health and wellness needs to enhance your academic performance.
 - b. Even if you choose not to access Health Services, you might benefit from the other assistance we provide at no additional cost such as counseling, health promotion, and student advocacy & trauma support. These services do require appointments. Please call (803) 323-2206 or visit our website <https://www.winthrop.edu/csw/> for more information about our services.
3. I have private insurance and don't plan to use Health Services. Why should I have to pay the semester fee?
 - a. We do not charge an office visit fee like community providers. Often, students' appointments do not incur charges so there are no out-of-pocket expenses. If you do receive a service that has a charge (which is applied to your student account), you can access a statement in your Patient Portal to submit to your insurance for possible reimbursement. Health Services does submit claims for students enrolled in Winthrop's Student Health Insurance Plan that views Health Services as the student's primary care provider.
4. I need health insurance. How do I access the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)?
 - a. Academic Health Plans (AHP) administers the SHIP for Winthrop on behalf of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of South Carolina. For basic information, visit <https://www.winthrop.edu/csw/> on our website for current benefits flyers and <https://winthrop.myahpcare.com> to review AHP's current policy and enrollment criteria for Winthrop University.
5. I live off campus. Am I still able to use CSW?

Yes. Regardless of where a student lives, they are still eligible to utilize the Center for Student Wellness as long as they are enrolled in the current semester, have met the immunization requirements, and paid the semester fee. The fee is automatically assessed to students enrolled in 6 credits or more. Students enrolled in fewer credits can opt in to voluntarily pay the semester fee to be able to utilize services in the Center for Student Wellness.