



INSTITUTIONAL POLICY: D5051

Student Physical Health

Category: Learning-Environment
Subject: Student Physical Health
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1. Authority

COCA 5.3-2

2. Role of NCOM

2.1 NCOM seeks to promote student wellness by providing a mechanism conducive to early detection of health issues and providing a supportive environment in which they can be effectively avoided or addressed.

2.2 NCOM shall ensure appropriate levels of confidentiality for a student seeking information, referral, and/or treatment.

3. Leave of Absence for Health Reasons

3.1 If a student is placed on a leave of absence for physical health reasons, before the student is allowed to return to educational activities, the requirements set forth in Section 6.3 must be met.

3.2 If a student is unable to meet NCOM's Health and Technical Standards, the student should request an extension under NCOM's institutional policy on leave of absence.

3.3 Any leave of absence for physical health reasons will be in compliance with NCOM's institutional policy on leave of absence.

4. Health Care while out of Illinois on Clinical Rotation

5.1 All students are required to have health insurance during their clinical rotations.

5.2 Students are advised to seek emergency medical care at the closest Emergency Room to their individual location.

5.3 Students may seek medical care at the provider of their choosing under their health insurance, or are advised to seek medical care at the closest urgent care facility.

5. A list of confidential regional health providers is attached to this policy as Appendix A

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Appendix A

Confidential Physical Health Resources:

1. [Free Clinics in Cook, Illinois - Health Health LowCostLivin \(multiple locations\)](#)
2. [Free Dental Clinic in Cook, Illinois - Health Health LowCostLivin \(multiple locations\)](#)